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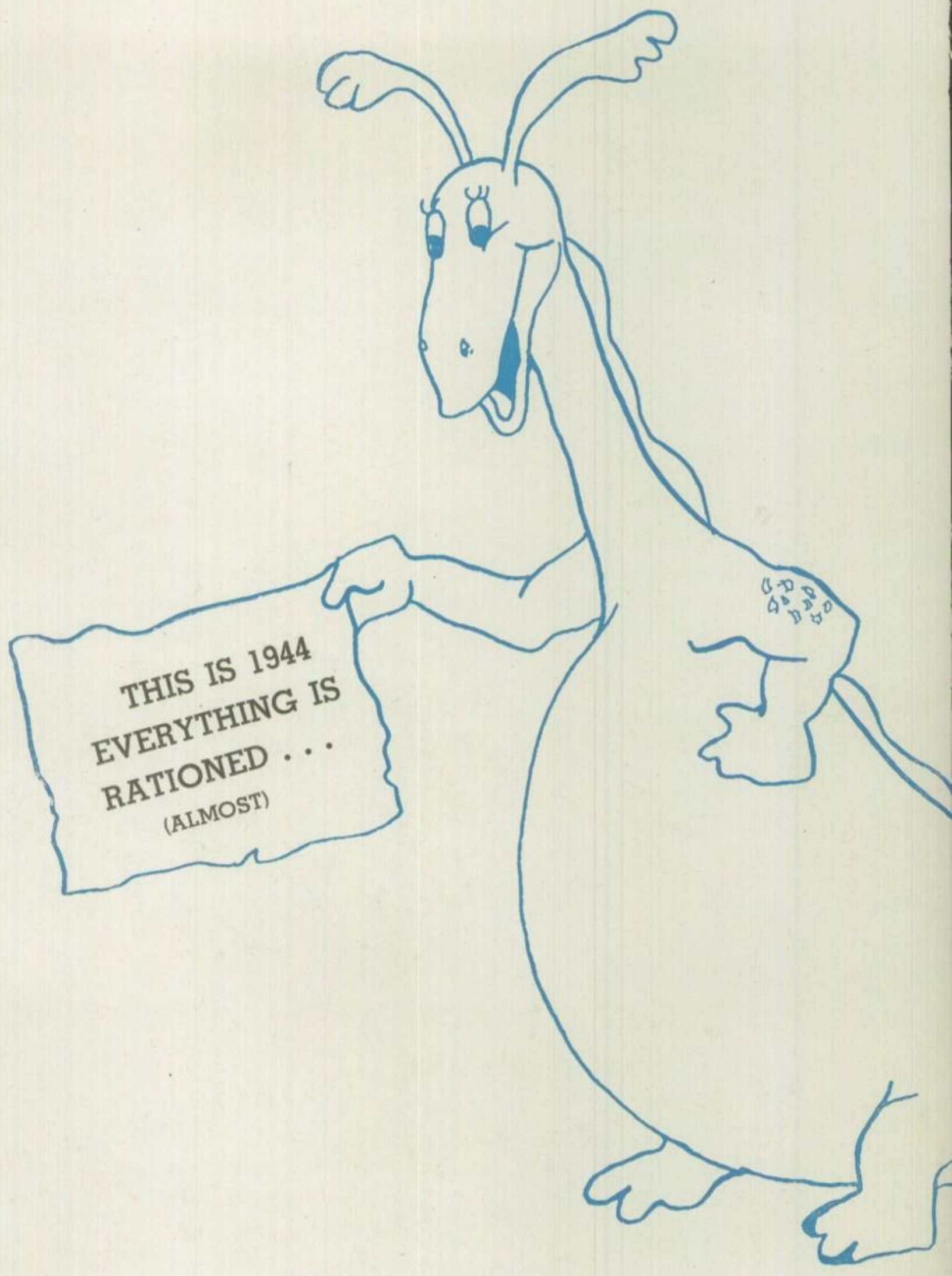
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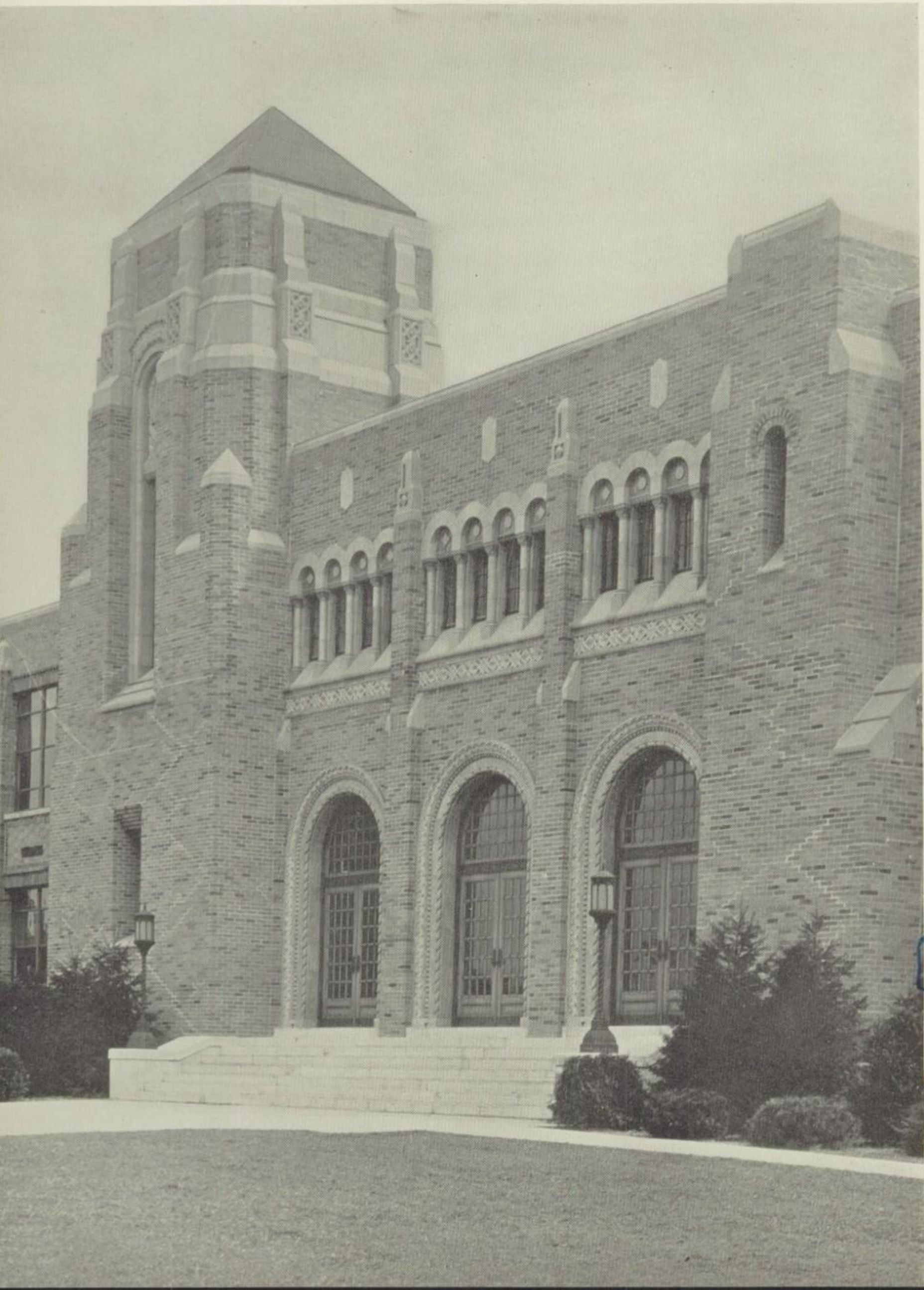

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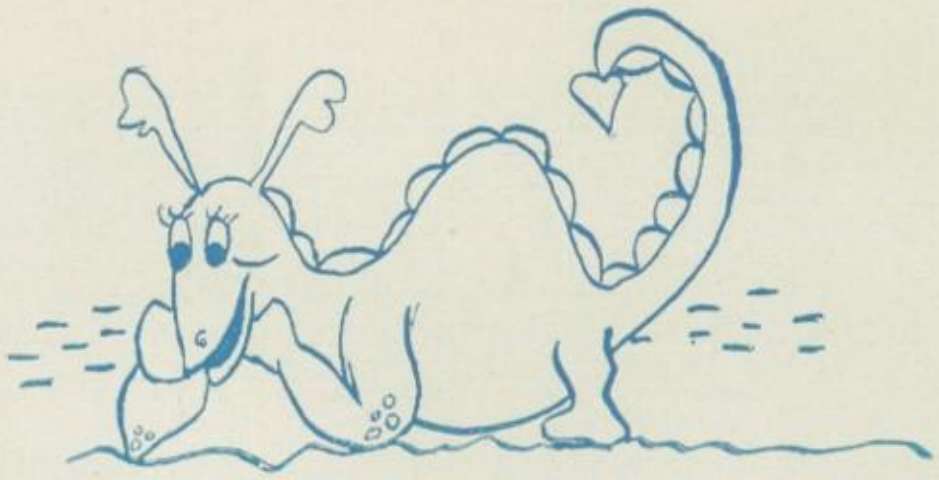

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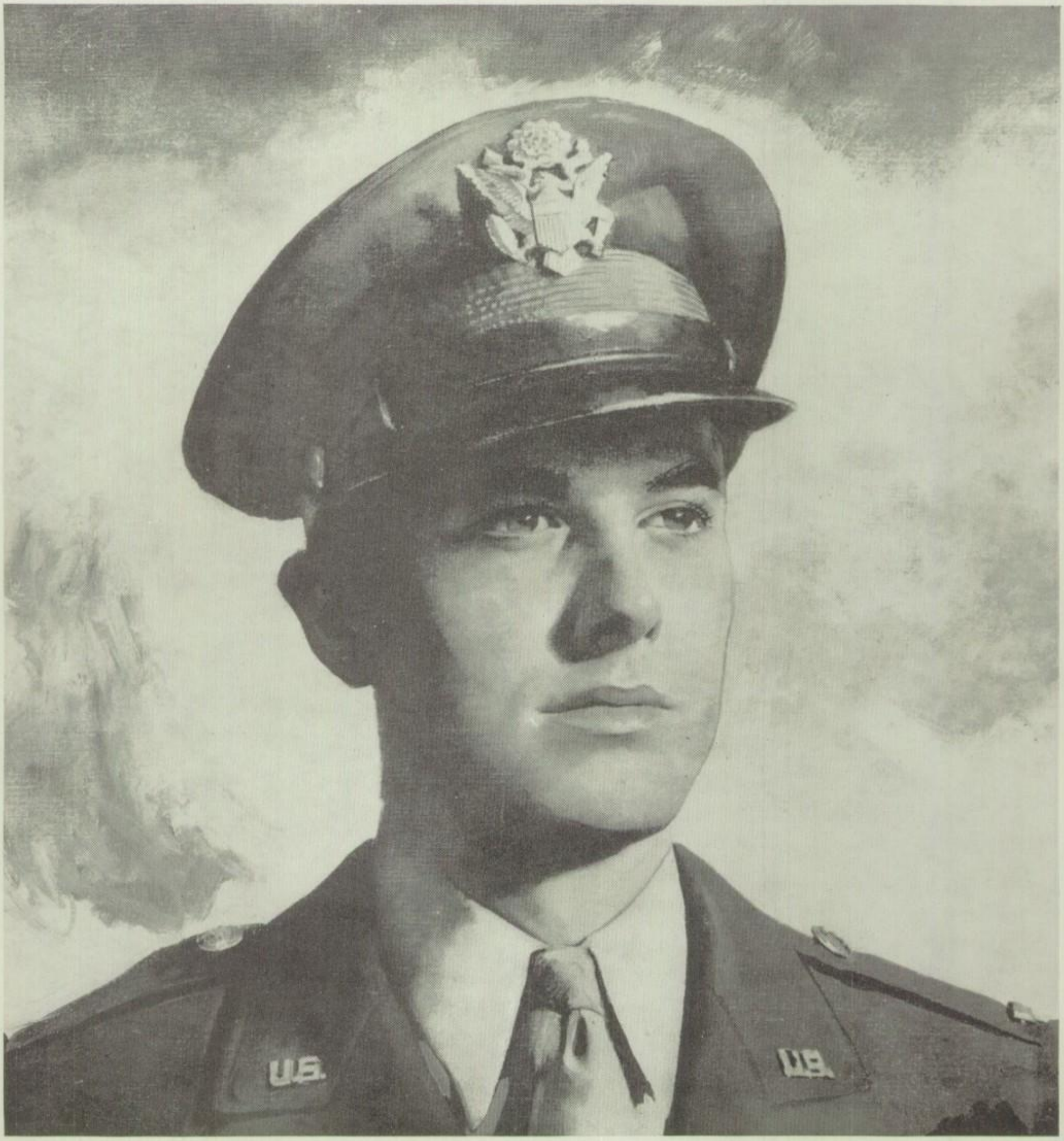
SHIP ARE NOT ON THIS LIST, MR. DRAGON

HIS SPIRIT OF SERVICE IS UNRATIONED



Faculty

NO TIRES, NO GAS...BUT NO LACK OF

ENTHUSIASM FOR TEACHING ON THE PART OF THE FACULTY . . .

THEY ARE COMMANDERS-IN-CHIEF

War time has given D. L. Barnes, Van Buren township superintendent, many new and different problems. Most important among them, perhaps, is the ever-increasing school population—and hand in hand with that, the weighing of building capacities and teaching facilities.

In solving these problems in the district's four schools—Fairmont, Dorothy Lane, Southern Hills and Pasadena—Mr. Barnes has done a remarkable job. A fifth, Greenmont, will come under his jurisdiction next fall when it opens.

Maintaining a curriculum in Fairmont to meet both war and peace-time needs is the problem confronting Principal J. E. Prass. Assisting Principal Prass in carrying out these demands on the educational system is a corps of twenty-three well-trained teachers, all outstanding in their respective fields.

Whenever one of the staff needs help Mr. Prass is ready to lend a hand.

Pupils and teachers alike find him a "friend indeed."

Best Wishes from Loose-Wiles Biscuit Company

EDUCATION IN WAR TIME IS A PROBLEM

The full impact of the changes being brought about by the war is beginning to be reflected in the readjustments in the enrollment and consequent organization of our schools. Many of our boys and girls are deserting their classrooms and are taking employment in war industries. Contrary to the belief of many parents, our military authorities, as well as educators, view this exodus from the classrooms with alarm.

Why are the military services concerned by the departure of our children from the classroom? The answer is that education has made a brilliant contribution to Amercia's capacity for victory. Colonel Hans Christian Adamson of the United States Army Air Forces says: "When full credits are given for the instruments of Victory, the American system of education, all the way from grade schools to universities, will be richly recognized for their effective contribution."

Recent statistics show that almost a million boys and girls have withdrawn from the schools of the United States. These young people see an opportunity for making money that has never before presented itself. Many have the urge to do something that will make a greater contribution toward winning the war. Some need to go to work to support a family whose father has been inducted into the Armed Forces.

The battle station for youth is in the class room. We must constantly reorganize the curriculum to meet the needs of youth. In some sections of our country schools have been closed for lack of teachers. A second problem is to maintain a properly trained teaching staff. To do this is becoming increasingly difficult because of demands of the Armed Forces and industry.

Our educational system will be changed but IT MUST NOT BE SACRIFICED TO THE GOD OF WAR. Until their country calls them, we should keep the youth of the nation in the classroom.

—Superintendent D. L. Barnes

Members of the Board of Education helping solve educational war time problems are E. I. Benson, Chester Moyer, William Hensel (president), George L. Ernst (clerk), Roy Spivey (vice president). D. L. Barnes, superintendent, is also pictured.

C O - W O R K E R S

A LIBRARY SCENE

. . . Strive Forward

Basketball and physical fitness training kept Mr. Vincent Arnold "on the go" during the school year. Leading the DRAGONS to high honors in the Miami Valley League and preparing senior boys for army or naval physical training were two jobs well done. Teaching sophomores history and scouting in the football season are more of his duties.

Debate and speech work are Tom C. Battin's specialties. He teaches juniors and seniors to become better public speakers. Mr. Battin also has junior boys in the personality development classes and endeavors to direct them toward clearer thinking and better relations.

Mrs. J. B. Brown's task is to keep everything running smoothly in the office. Whenever anyone is late it's Mrs. Brown who listens to excuses, and whenever anything is mixed up it's Mrs. Brown who comes to the rescue with a solution.

Post-war problems, the United States and its government were some of the discussion topics led by Mr. E. Friend Couser and his civics classes. In addition to teaching civics to seniors, he teaches economic geography and is one of the junior advisers.

Entertainment is Miss Leah Funck's specialty. She directed the junior and senior plays and many outstanding assembly performances. In addition to her dramatic work, Miss Funck has several English classes.

Another "morale builder" is Mr. Clark

They Work Diligently . . .

Vincent Arnold
Tom C. Battin
Mrs. J. B. Brown
E. Friend Couser

Leah Funck
Charles Grice
Clark Haines
Leland Hall

Helen Hartsock
Milo Herr
M. E. Hinton
Russell H. Huston

Peace Goal . . .

Haines, who is in charge of the music department. He is busy directing the band, girls' glee club and mixed chorus. He puts the "pep" into the pep assemblies.

After the present conflict, occupational therapy for the wounded soldiers will be the concern of many. Mr. Leland Hall is preparing our boys and girls, the men and women of tomorrow, to create objects with the various machines in the shop, a training which may help provide jobs for the unemployed and help wounded soldiers find peace of mind in work.

As Dean of Girls, Miss Helen Hartsock acts as a kind and understanding counselor, urging girls to be better scholars and helping them choose their studies and vocations. Latin may be mastered in her department.

Chemistry and physics are Mr. Milo J. Herr's specialties. Teaching these subjects and Science I provided a full schedule for him. He is also one of the National Honor Society sponsors and a junior class adviser.

Mr. M. Edgar Hinton's job is to teach the natural sciences. Under his direction the biology classes probe into mysteries of plant and animal life. He is also responsible for showing of the many educational films for the assemblies and classes.

From Hamilton comes Mr. Russell E. Huston, replacing Mr. William Ramsey, now at Miami University. Mr. Huston's job is to teach our boys to read blueprints, plans and speci-

. . . Friends To All Pupils

fications, and to interpret them. Interested in the youth of today, Mr. Huston also advises the Fairmont Hi-Y chapter.

Seniors preparing for special training in the Armed Forces or for college have had their English instruction from Miss Laura Kennedy. Helping to develop the "Good Neighbor Policy," she also teaches pupils to speak Spanish, the language of our southern neighbors.

Whether girls are preparing for college, war work, or home making, neatness in dress

Laura Kennedy

Mary Virginia Lacy

Mrs. Russell J. Long

Laura Marshall

Robert Mitchell

Gladys Powell

Richard Somers

Florence Stoff

Rachel Urick

Helen Vogelsang

Homer Wagner

Christine Wahl

Hadley Watts

George Weimer

Miriam Wilson

PUPILS AT WORK IN CHEMISTRY LAB

is important. Miss Mary Virginia Lacy teaches her home economics pupils the art of dressing well. She also teaches English and is co-sponsor of the Girl Reserves.

From Hicksville, Ohio, comes Mrs. Russell J. Long, journalism and English instructor. Supervising the publication of the DRAGON, newspaper, every month and the DRAGON, yearbook, was a task of some consequence. She also teaches English and is responsible for school publicity.

Perhaps Fairmont's greatest aid to Uncle Sam and the war effort is Miss Laura Marshall, who, with the aid of her office practice group, has been responsible for all war stamps and bonds sold through the school. Miss Marshall teaches typing and shorthand classes and is the school's financial secretary. In the latter office she keeps records of all incomes and expenditures of various school organizations.

Strong and healthy bodies, as well as strong minds, are needed for reliable citizens of tomorrow. Through her excellent leadership in gym and hygiene classes, including first aid instruction, Miss Gladys Powell is stimulating this need. She is also sponsor of the Girls' Athletic Association and the Fairmont chapter of the American Junior Red Cross.

In Mr. Richard Somers' classes, students study general business, bookkeeping, business civics and merchandising. Mr. Somers has done most of the photography for the yearbook, spending many hours getting "shots" of students in school activities.

Miss Florence Stoff is also a "buffer" in the office. Typing and general office work are her main duties. She typed most of the copy for the yearbook and the paper. A bright smile from her has made many a student happier on a rainy day.

Art is correctly called a morale builder, for it provides rest and relaxation for many, in addition to the opportunities offered to the conscientious student. Experiences gained in working with color, sketching, pottery, weaving, and poster work develop art appreciation for all in Miss Rachel Urich's classes.

CLASS ROOM INSTRUCTION VARIES

Although rationing made it rather difficult for the usual varied menu, Miss Helen Vogelsang and her competent cafeteria staff served many wholesome, appetizing lunches to the student body. She teaches cooking, by which means she prepares the future homemakers to serve attractive, well-balanced diets.

Students desiring more extensive work in mathematics will find Mr. Homer Wagner willing to oblige with courses in Algebra II, trigonometry, and solid and plane geometry. Besides this full time job, he acts as assistant principal, treasurer of the athletic funds, and official time-keeper at the games. He is also a senior class advisor.

To Miss Christine Wahl goes the task of teaching English, history, and personal typing. Special emphasis is given to juniors preparing for college. Besides these classes, her extra time is spent working with the National Honor Society.

Coach Hadley Watts has had a busy season keeping his boys in top condition, promoting health, first aid, cooperation, and good sportsmanship. Besides his regular health classes, he coached an outstanding football team.

The kindly gentleman in room 109 is Mr. George Weimer, who prepares incoming freshmen for higher mathematics and the outgoing seniors for future training, whether it is V-5, V-12, or ASTP. Mr. Weimer is a freshman class adviser.

For required or leisure reading, Miss Mir-

Pictured below are some of the members of the Home Economics classes learning the principles of canning fruits and vegetables.

Shepherds, angels and the wise men were snapped by the camerman after the annual presentation of the Christmas story, the final program before the holiday season.

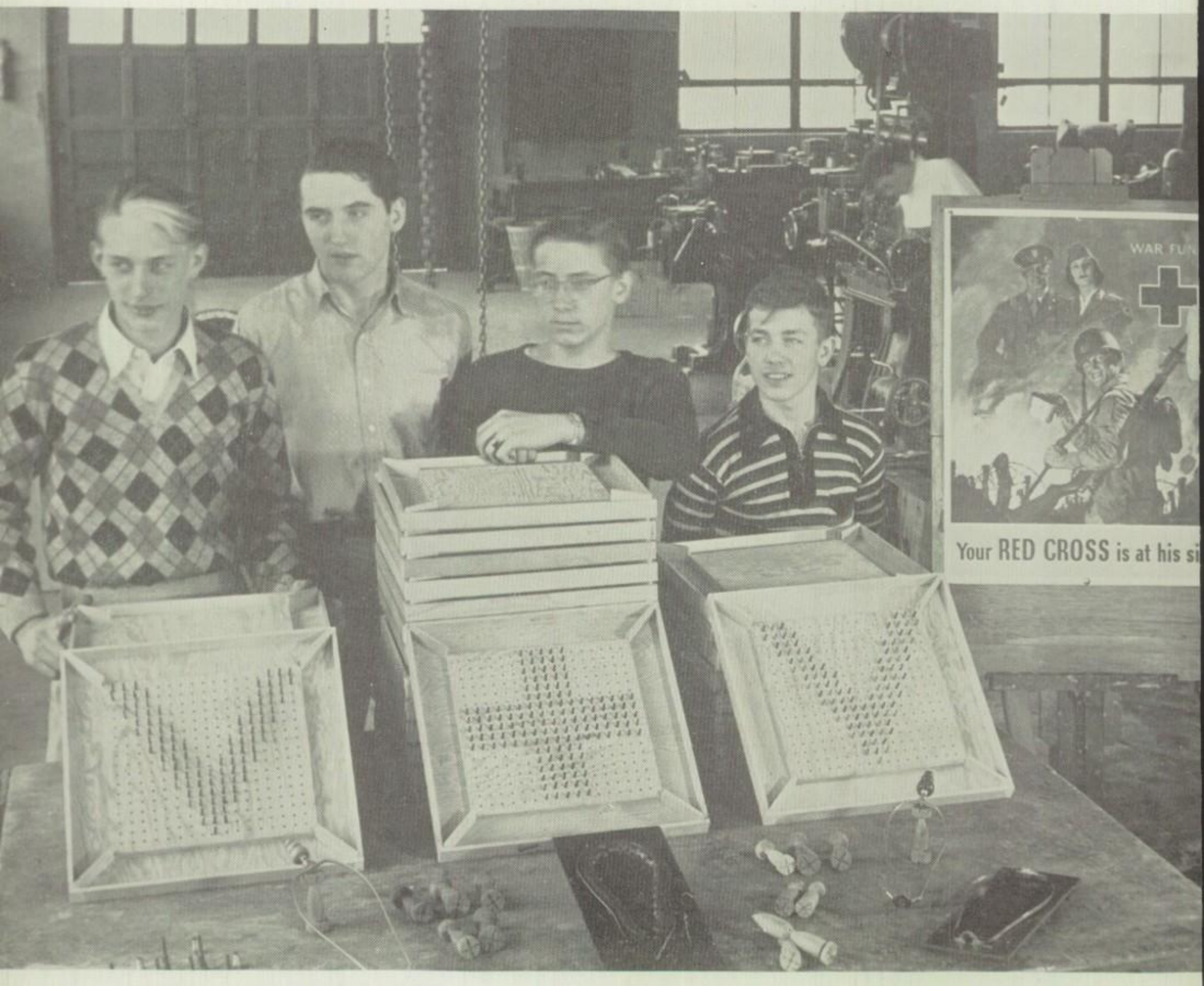
PROGRAMS GIVE RELAXATION

iam Wilson supplies the students with interesting novels and non-fiction books. She also teaches freshman English, supervises the bookstore, and orders the classroom instruction films. She is Girl Reserve co-adviser.

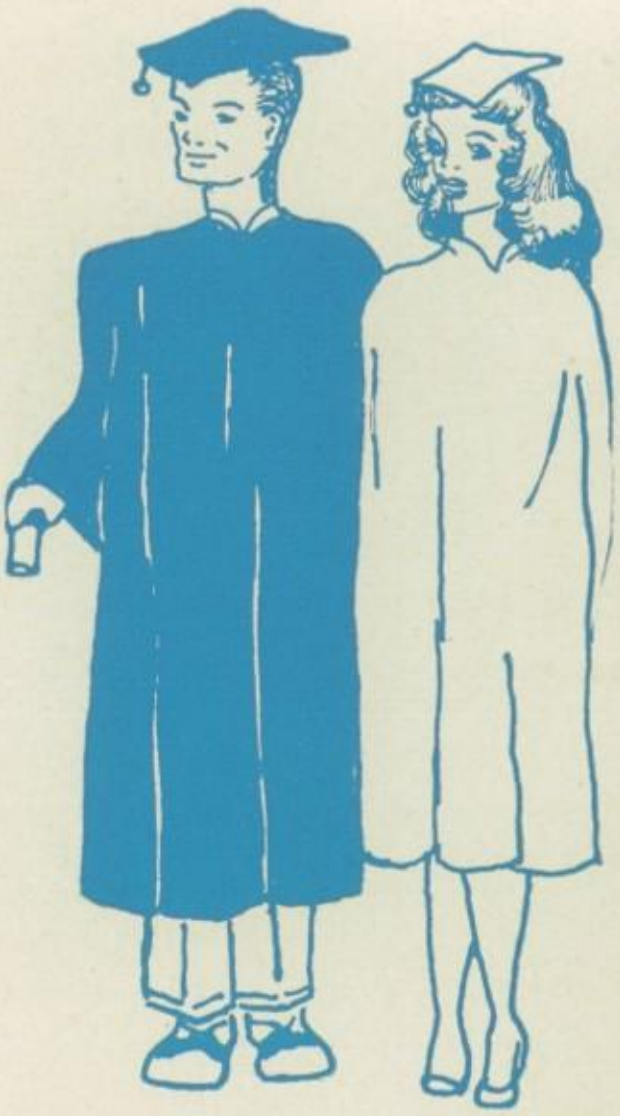
Mr. Robert Mitchell and Mr. Charles Grice are the most popular men around school—when someone spills a bottle of ink, when paper is all over the shower and locker rooms, or when walks need clearing. Theirs is a big task—keeping the building clean and doing small favors for faculty and students alike, yet each of them does his tasks cheerfully and quickly.

A scene from the Industrial Arts department shows Norma Howard and Karl Grugin at work on a project.

James Wallace, William Pontis, and William Perchment are preparing the stage for the senior class play by renovating some furniture.



SHOP BOYS ARE SHOWING COMPLETED GAMES MADE FOR THE AMERICAN RED CROSS.



Classes

NO MEAT, FEW MEN . . . BUT NO LACK OF
STUDENT PARTICIPATION IN SERIOUS CLASSROOM WORK . . .

DRAGON REVIEWS SENIOR ACTIVITIES

Senior Class History

In the midst of war, many boys and girls of the Class of '44 now find themselves struggling to bring about a desired peace.

When the class first came to Fairmont, war was far from their minds. With the election of Shelby Profitt (who is serving in the army in Brazil) as president, the year's activities began. Other officers were Ruth Anna Hart, secretary; and Ilah Jean Preston, treasurer. A skating party at "Skateland" and a picnic at Bryan State Park, which was especially enjoyed by the girls, were social activities.

During the sophomore year, the group joined in the spirit like old troopers. By electing Carl Hamm as president; Tom Koors, vice president; Ruth Anna Hart, secretary; Carl Klemm, treasurer; and Ilah Jean Preston, social chairman, the group was active in school affairs. A dance and luncheon was given for the class at the Wishing Well in Centerville.

But it was December 7, 1941, that Pearl Harbor was attacked. From that day on, the class felt the pressure of war. Members who entered the Armed Forces before completing their schooling were Don Tharr, Shelby Profitt and Jack Peters.

By the junior year the battle for peace was in full swing and so was the school: scrap drives, bond buying, rationing. George Lenning was named president; Carl Hamm, vice president; Jeanne Thygerson, secretary; and Ilah Jean Preston, treasurer. Four members of the class were elected to membership in the honor society: Edward Benson, Shirley Leinweber, Donald Placke, and Jeanne Thygerson. The junior play was "Don't Take My Penny," directed by Miss Leah Funck. Leads were taken by Elaine Huber and George Lenning. The Junior-Senior Prom was the last social event of the year. George Lenning, Ned Rasor, Ilah Jean Preston, and William Walther were the speakers at the banquet.

War came closer to the pupils' lives as graduation approached. Six took the accelerated course in Oakwood summer school and completed their schooling January 21. Included were Betty Wooley, now a nurse cadet, Christ Hospital, Cincinnati; Eugene Riel, Ohio State pre-medical student; William Perchment, Armed Forces; Eugene Huffman, Armed Forces; Robert Kalter, Wheaton College, Illinois; Elmer Scott, V-5 program, John Carroll University, Cleveland. George Lenning completed his work to enter V-5 naval training at Dartmouth March 1.

The senior boys mildly experienced military life in

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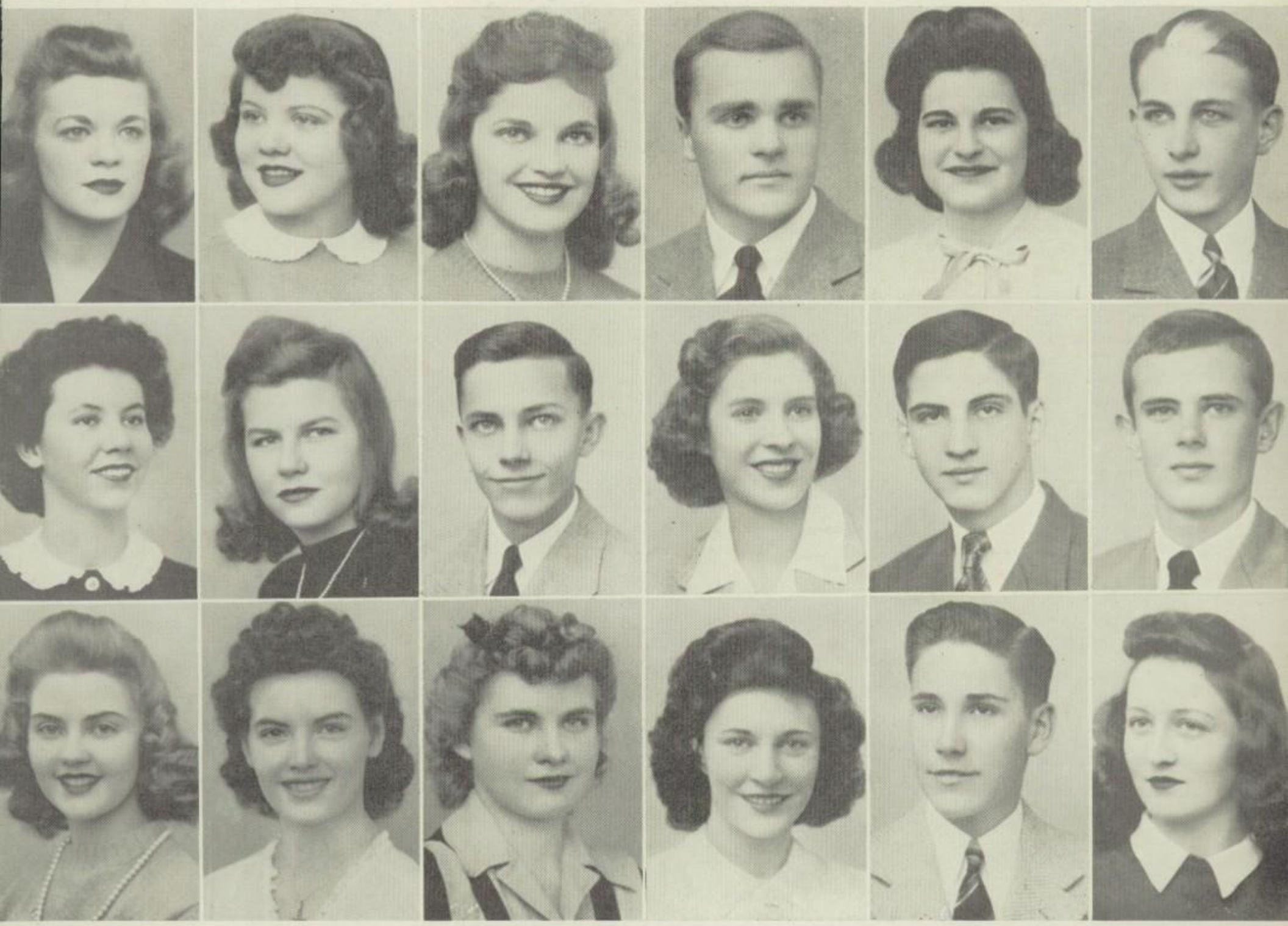

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DENHAM

MARY JANE ABBOTT . . . "Janie" . . . Roosevelt 1 . . . **BETTY ARMSTRONG** . . . "Armie" . . . Cafeteria . . . **MARGARET ASHWORTH** . . . "Maggie" . . . G. A. A. . . . **EDWARD BENSON** . . . "Eddie" . . . Class President 4; Honor Society; Hi-Y; Dramatics; Publications . . . **DORIS BORTON** . . . Transfer, Ironton 4; Publications . . . **JAMES BOWSER** . . . "Jim" . . . Football; Baseball . . . **PATRICIA LEE BRUGLER** . . . "Pat" . . . G. R.; G. A. A., President 4; Sports . . . **CHELLIS CARNEY** . . . "Teddy" . . . Sacred Heart, N. Y., 3; Publications; Student Council; Dramatics; Sports . . . **ROBERT CHLEBEK** . . . "Bob" . . . **JUNE CONOVER** . . . "Junie" . . . G. R.; Cafeteria . . . **JACQUES COOK** . . . Belmont 1; Cafeteria; Pageant; Scholarship . . . **ROBERT COOK** . . . "Bobbie" . . . Hi-Y; Dramatics; Band; Orchestra . . . **EDITH COPPOCK** . . . "Sis" . . . G. A. A. . . . **ETHEL COX** . . . N. F. L. Cafeteria . . . **LOUISE CRANE** . . . "Lou" . . . G. A. A.; Band; Orchestra; Publications; Girl Reserves . . . **NORMA CRESS** . . . "Cressy" . . . Girl Reserves; Basketball; Cafeteria . . . **HAROLD DEMMER** . . . "Dem" . . . Fairview 2; Baseball . . . **WINIFRED DENHAM** . . . "Winnie" . . . Glee Club; Band . . . **ELEANOR DUEBNER** . . . "Duebie" . . . Girl Reserves; G. A. A.; Glee Club . . . **AILEEN DUGAN** . . . "Dugie" . . . Belmont 1; Basketball; Baseball . . . **DELORES DUKES** . . . "Dukesie" . . . Belmont 3 . . . **GENEVIEVE EADS** . . . "Genny" . . . G. A. A.

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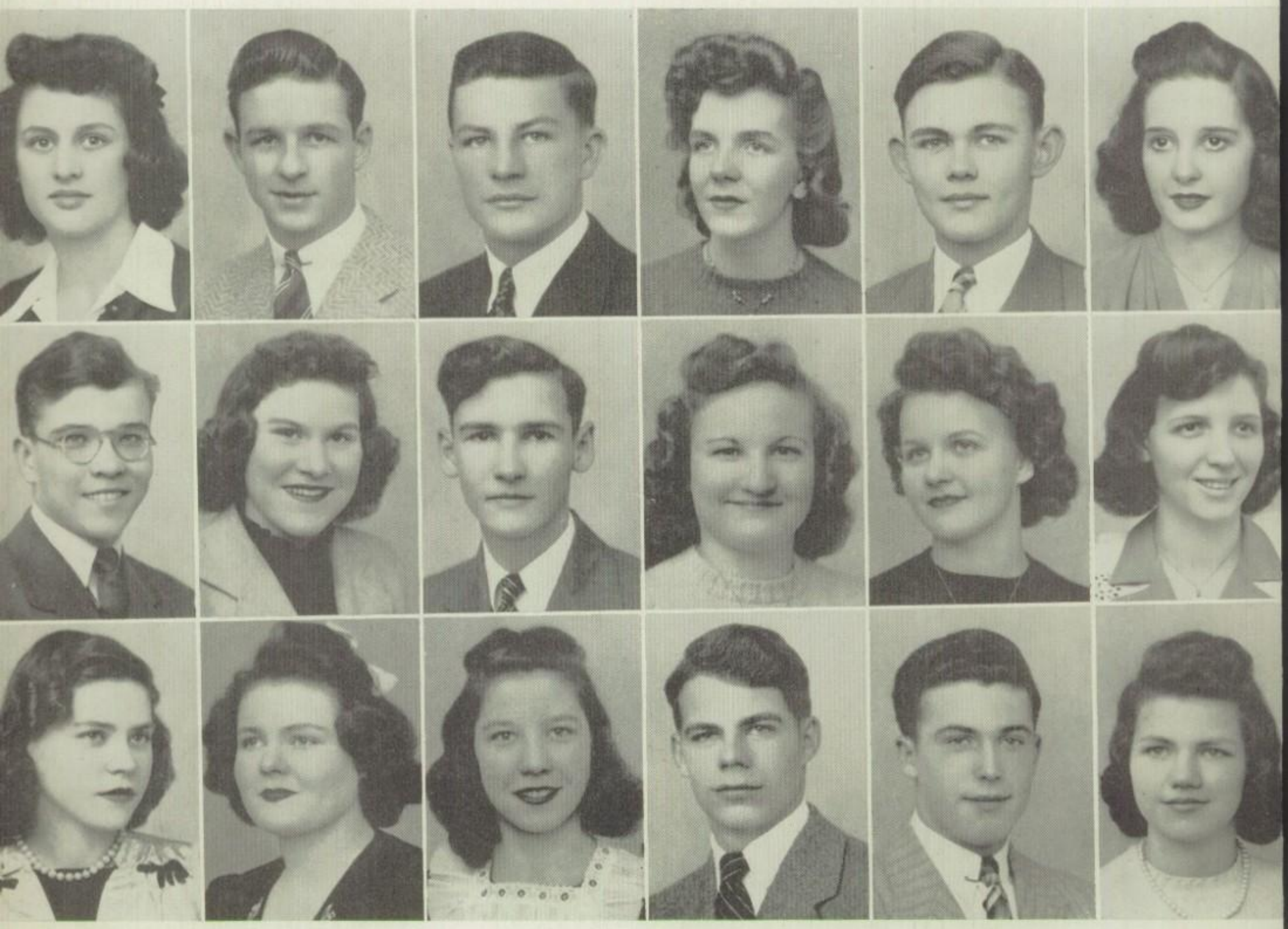

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Savilla Meyers, Doris Webster, June Somers, Norma Jean Davis.

William Powell, Jack Cain, Edward Bradford, Don Garwood, Kline Cate.

Ralph Money, William Hanger, Clarence Westbeld, Ray Harding, Jack Thompson, Don Hafner, Eugene Keckler, David Schiebrel, Jack Askren (kneeling in front).

Betty Roehr, Geraldine King, Lorene Speelman, Mary Ellen Weldenhaus, Joanne Ward, Patsy Carter, Charlotte Goens.

Joy Pope, Jane Conover, Barbara Beatty, Robert Hedges.

William Powell, Robert Sturm, David Abshear.

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Glen Ridgeway, Gerald Robinson, Louis Bower, Carl Boeckerman, Don Pooler, John Davis.

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Sonny Wachter, Fred Kratzer, Ruby Lancaster, Roberta Rohr.

Betty McDonald, Edna McKinney, Dolores Mink, Joyce Kelly, Ann Underwood.

Vivian Eads, Richard Forward, Betty Edwards.

CLASS OF '45 HONORS SENIORS;

Jeanne MacLardie, Audrey Jones, Nancy Oblinger, Lova Mae Naas, Jessie Long, Phyllis Leist.

Frank Hemelgarn, Frank Dodd, Martha Fox, Martha Prater.

Donald Mercer, Margaret Getter, Esther Ann Bower, Wallace Avey.

Vera Bear, Carol Harper, Sunny Lou John, Barbara Beatty.

Mabel Nelson, Lois Mercer, Janet Stout, Patricia Wright, Marjorie Pummell, Louise Swigart.

Dorothy Moon, Aunda Pierson, Richard Geiger, Mary M. White.

Thomas Smiley, Beth Hawker, John Stanch, Roberta Worthington, Paul Young.

PRESENTS "BEST FOOT FORWARD"

William Heideman, Vernon Eslinger, Lucille Eubank, Faye Suman, Robert Beck, Robert Patterson.

Frances Mae Tayloe, Ethel Jewell, Lois Johnson, Ruth Weller, Doris Puterbaugh, Mamie Kindy.

Charles Gastineau, Howard Wilson, Ralf Trusler, Gordon Graham, Robert Huston, Ben Weaver.

Anna Foster, Lee Guernsey, Lydia Davis, Martha Kalter.

Jerry Bowser, Jerry Jarrett, Victor Grabeman, James Irons, Donald Schelling, William Liebetrau.

Merrill Albrecht, Evelyn Laub, Peggy Peek

Wanda Smalley, Helen Sites, Anna Belle Long, Virginia Bauersfeld.

Juniors not pictured: Dean Brandt, Robert Brandt, Ronald Casebere, Dorothy Donovan, Joseph Gantner, Marylee Jarrett, Geraldine Lowe, Dorothy Ruth.

DRAGON VIEWS "SOFTIES" GETTING

BACK: Lloyd Miracle, Robert Wise, Roland Fischer.

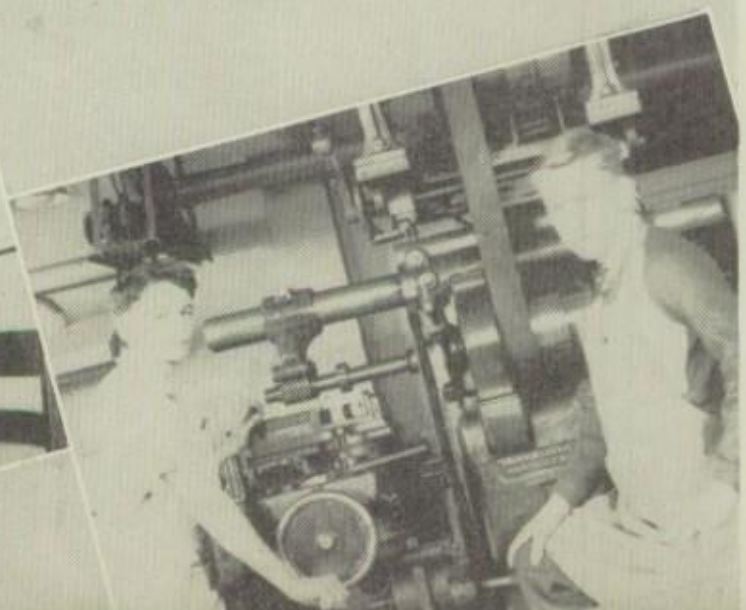
FRONT: Harry Lenz, William Horton.

Phyllis Whipp, Vera Widau, Mary Agnes Baudendistel, Ruby Walker, Marilyn Whisler, Betty Billmeyer.

Patty Altenburg, Kathryn Koontz, Dorothy Doughman.

Dane Stoll, Ted Blum, Farrand Martens, Patty Mack, Vernadale Segui.

George Murphy, Max Orlow, Helen Wappler, Janice Thorpe, Roland Fischer.



David Fitch, Francis Michael.

EXPERIENCE IN VARIOUS ACTIVITIES

BACK: Charles Leech, Richard Nancarrow, Harold Prahinski, Richard Hewitt.

FRONT: Jack Blair, Richard Simpson, Keith Johnson.

Wilma Andrew, Betty Bartlett, Christine Bertrams, Marilyn Collins, Mary Kay Augspurger, Betty Christensen.

BACK: Marilyn Thomas, Dean Smith, Peggy Altenburg, Joan Dill.

FRONT: Carolyn Miniard, Pat Loyd, Imogene Willis.

SITTING: Patty Cress.

STANDING: Phyllis McGrew, Martha May, Joanne Brown, Vivian Moon.

Barbara Kesling, Jo-Ann Bell, Richard Page (standing), Suzanne Pohlmeyer.

STANDING: Laura Hanger.

SITTING: Richard Cook, Jack Bunger.

CLASS OF '46 SATISFIES DRAGON

FRONT: Patsy Salyer, Margaret Williamson.

BACK: June Prentice, Evelyn Stansel, Paula Jones.

AT BOARD: John Morgan, Herschel Jones, Robert Oakley, William Fremont, Joanne Ferris, Dora Dubs, Lawrence Moyer.

Frances Bruch, Betty Schwartz, Norma Heilmann, Lucille Cate.

FRONT: Robert Widman, George Helm, Raymond Munger, Dale Placke.

BACK: Edward Stewart, Don Grugin, Herry Wertz.

Fern McGrew, Vivian Richards, Dorothy Littell, Betty Billmeyer, Patty Walker, Eileen Holtvogt.

FRONT: Lois Todd, Mary Stadlmayer, Betty Roush.

BACK: Marjorie Graves, Patricia Pickle, Betty Douglass

WHO WATCHES THEIR 'GROWING PAINS'

Farrand Martens, Ted Hein, Morris Lyons, Carl Jaeggi, Willard Danzeissen.

Richard Crauder, Merlin Williamson, Richard Kirkpatrick, Elfreda Helm, Orville Madliger.

Front: Hazel Goforth, Louise Hyer, Buelah Stevens, Nancy Routzahn; Back: Don McClanahan.

Lois Todd, Mary Agnes Baudendistel, Herbert Foskuhl, Emerson Eschbaugh, Dorothea Duncan, Joann Cope, Anna Ballard.

In Rear: Don McPeek, Rayburn Wood; In Front: Dwane Coppedge, Robert Owen, Ralph Gueltig, Ted Rose.

Don Faber, Don Crowe (standing), Charles Ankney.

Sophomores not pictured: Vera Bear, Robert Beck, Eileen Emmons, Anna Foley, Jack Hart, Rose Marie George, Patricia Hutton, Francis Jarnagin, Maryann Jones, John Mohr, Rosemary Schneck, Kenneth Tobias, Elaine Von Greyerz, Willard Whitacre.

THAT CLASS OF '47 CERTAINLY WAS

Erves Hess, Paul Kolbe, Edward Mowen, Eugene Singleton, Forest Weller.

Marilyn Foskuhl, Ruth Dobberstein, Lora Fisher, Joan Stout, Alice Couser, Eva Sams.

Martha Glanton, Margie Ann Bohachek, Gloria Barnhart, Norma Hurst, Dolores Laycox, Mary Lou Garwood.

Ralph Young, Richard Rumbarger, Jack Wheeler, Steve Pickle, Fred Brooks.

Allen Jenkins, Edgar Robinson, Donald Crawmer, Russell Long, Robert Peterson, Bruce McPeek.

Clarence Moon, John Gillette, Richard Knabe, William Metzler.

Roger Bender, LeRoy Moon, John Wood, Walter Fickert.

Jack Shahan, Donald Aydelott, Francis Scott.

GREEN . . . BUT THEY'RE GROWING

Jack Ewry, Charles Mockbee, Charles Ditmer, Curtis Davis, Thomas Mosier.

Thomas Smith, Donald Titus, Robert Stadlmayr, Leland Norris.

Joan Hull, Shirley Jarvis, Patricia Heideman, Dorothy Lenning, Lois Hawker.

Sarah Stansel, Edward Lowry, Walter Schutz

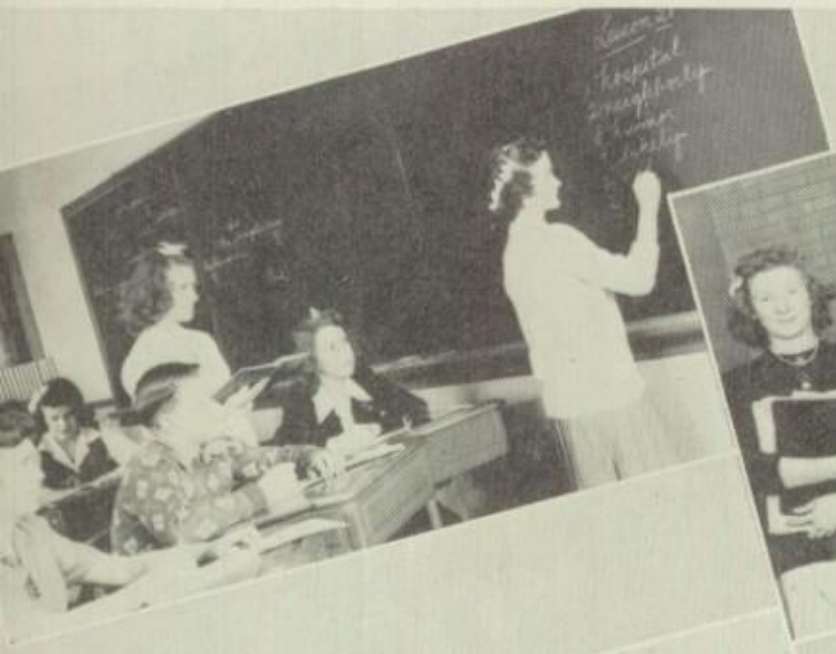
Richard McKinnon, William Willoughby, Peter Michael, James Gochoel, Donald Nicholas, Harry Fleming.

Standing: Doris Kupp, Rose Marie Lewber, Marian Yaus, Norma Blair; sitting: Janet Eby, Jenny Bowser, Marilyn Mitchell.

Jack Powers, Thomas Weaver, James Liszak, George Jenkins, John Perkins, Richard Jackson.

Richard Walther, Dexter Reynolds.

FROSH ADDED THEIR TALENT



Marjorie Todd, Lois Swanson, James Widman, Gwendolyn Wardwell, Mildred Sherzer (standing back of seated students), Phyllis Wright.

Oneita Elkins, Joan Nicely, Bonnie Martin, Elizabeth Stewart, Winifred Wolfram.

Robert Brandenburg, Robert Hilton, Robert Hunt, Robert Miller.

Dale Spencer, Ray Payne, Eugene Henn, William Johnson.

C. Lewis, Roberta Corron, Hannah Smith, Beverly Willis, Peggy Steig, Alma Chester, Yvonne Redman.

James Shaw, Donald Nicholas, Edward Jamison, William McKinnon.

James Denlinger, Rudy Denlinger, Donald Conover, Mary Denham.

Bruce Barnaby, Jack England.

TO MANY AN ACTIVITY

Betty Murphy, Violet O'Neal, Katharine Odon, Eleanor Rogers, Phyllis Carroll, Eileen Parker.

Dorothy Dodd, Betty Heil, Martha Kemper, Wanda Jones.

Phyllis Schelling, Patty Vaughn, Lois Swanson, Jeannine Tullis, Joan Saatkamp, Jean Utz, Barbara Siler.

Murl Miller, Merle Vulgamore, Bernard Holbert, Raymond Dukes, Wilbur Houck.

Eunice Blanchard, Barbara Parks (at telephone), Marilyn Finley, Jenny Bowser, Margaret Henderson, Lorrain Kennedy.

Patty Wiles, Lois Wise, Pauline Parker, Ruth Ann Fogarty, Dorothy Osborn, Patty Voris, Sarah Wallace (leaning against building.)

Robert Riffle, Evelyn Press, Marcheta Christensen.

Freshmen not pictured: Elwood Bailey, Winifred Blagg, Robert Bryan, Patricia Center, Charles Edwards, Richard Henning, LeRoy Karns, Joyce Marcum, Walter Meckstroth, Walter Orlow, Carolyn Penrod, Dorothy Rohrabaugh, Betty Sandy, Myron Smith, Stanley Teaford, Joan Wehrley, John Whitacre.

OFFICE PRACTICE GROUP WHICH SOLD $27,000 IN WAR BONDS DURING THE 1943-44 SCHOOL YEAR.

Activities

NO GAS, NO CONTESTS . . . BUT NO LACK OF INTEREST IN DRAMATICS, MUSIC, SPEECH ON PART OF STUDENTS . . .

YOUTH LEARNS WAR TIME DEMOCRACY

STANDING: Joan Stout, James Wahl, Kent Zopf, Jack Bunger, Don Hafner, Jenny Bowsher, Lee Guernsey, Chellis Carney.

SITTING: Laura Hanger, Max Orlow, Shirley Leinweber, Mr. J. E. Prass, adviser, James Gochoel.

During this unsettled war period, more than ever, there is a need for leadership and clear thinking. The Student Council, elected by the student body, has been very active this year as they endeavored to maintain high scholarship and leadership at Fairmont.

At their first meeting in October, they elected James Wahl president, while Kent Zopf presided as vice president, and Shirley Leinweber was chosen as secretary-treasurer. Plans were made to outline future projects.

One of the outstanding projects of the year was the locker inspections which were made every few weeks. The Oakwood pep assembly was directed by the Student Council with Chellis Carney as competent leader. Another project headed by the council was that of having music during the lunch period, but it was discontinued because of difficulties with the public address system.

Senior members for the year were James Wahl, Kent Zopf, Chellis Carney, and Shirley Leinweber; juniors were Vivian Eads, Lee Guernsey and Don Hafner. Representatives from the sophomore class were Jack Bunger, Max Orlow and Laura Hanger and freshman members were James Gochoel, Jennie Bowsher and Joan Stout. Principal J. E. Prass is faculty adviser.

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THEY DESERVE SCHOLARSHIP HONORS

SITTING: Don Placke, Jean Naftzger, Shirley Leinweber, Betty Sotherland, Betty Richards.

STANDING: Ned Rasor, Betty Myers, Jeanne Thygerson, Ed Benson, Valerie Kissinger.

Torch and Keystone, Fairmont's chapter of the National Honor Society, dates from 1942, and now numbers thirty-three members—ten of whom are in school.

Membership in the society is the highest honor given to Fairmont pupils by the faculty. A candidate for membership is accepted on a standard of character, scholarship, leadership and service to the school. After becoming a member, each attempts to maintain and to better his record in the basic requirements.

During the year, the group sent Christmas cards to all Fairmont boys in the Armed Forces, and, with the help of the journalism class, sent copies of THE DRAGON, monthly newspaper, to them. The first semester sales tax stamp collection netted the club nearly sixty dollars.

Officers of the group were Jeanne Thygerson, president; Shirley Leinweber, secretary; and Don Placke, treasurer.

Members named in May were Virginia Pummell and Dorothy Stausel, seniors; Merrill Albrecht, Richard Forward, Evelyn Laub, and Anna Mae Foster.

The honor society is conducted by five faculty advisers: Miss Christine Wahl, head adviser; Miss Rachel Urick, Mr. Milo Herr, Mr. Leland Hall, and Mr. J. E. Prass.

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THEY RECORDED FAIRMONT HISTORY

THE DRAGON, yearbook, published by the Fairmont journalism class, with the help of the senior class, was issued in 1944 for the twenty-sixth year.

A war-time yearbook, it depicts the traditional Fairmont dragon viewing the changes that have come about by rationing restrictions and Armed Forces requirements. The dragon views this change somewhat philosophically, yet nonetheless concernedly for now and then he says "Buy War Bonds," a forceful reminder in years to come of those Mondays when each student bought his stamps.

It has been the concern of the staff to record the 1943-44 school year so that, twenty years hence, one may pick up his book and see his friends as they were in the classroom. It is not a traditional yearbook. If the staff succeeded in its purpose, then the breaking of tradition was worthwhile.

THE DRAGON, newspaper, was published monthly by the entire journalism class. Different editors were chosen for each issue so that all students had an opportunity of serving in the more important positions.

YEARBOOK STAFF

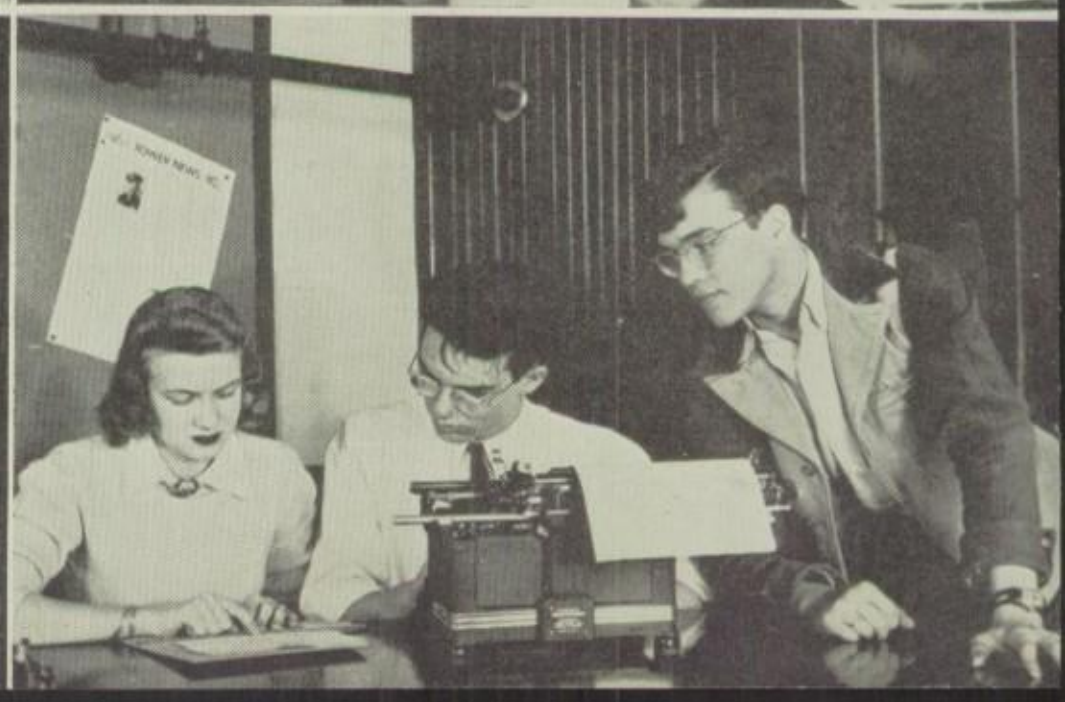
Co-editors ..... Betty and Suzanne Sotherland
Assistant Editor ..... Chellis Carney
Business Staff ..... Ilah Jean Preston, Barbara Wilson, James Wahl, Edward Benson
Circulation Staff ..... Louise Crane, Betty Stoll, Doris Borton
Sports Editors ..... James Stuart, Margaret Johnson
Feature Editors ..... Evelyn Yaus, Lois Hanback

Betty and Suzie Sotherland

Chellis Carney, Evelyn Yaus, Lois Hanback, Louise Crane, Betty Stoll

James Wahl, Ed Benson, Barbara Wilson, Ilah Jean Preston

Margaret Johnson, James Stuart, Ted Linderman



Kitchen Crew

Cashier Staff

Cashier Ida Mae Schweickart

Cooks Bessie Dale, Bertha Bradford, Lucille Bollinger, Gladys Hurst, Katherine Tanis

Cooks serving Sotherland Twins and Joe Wright

FOOD WAS A PROBLEM, TOO

Good luncheons are the key to health of a pupil and the happiness of his school day. Even in the face of rationing problems, Miss Helen Vogelsang, cafeteria manager, was able to provide well-rounded noonday meals for Fairmont's 550 pupils.

The rationing problem, at times, became far less time consuming than the help problem. In former years, when employment was lean, pupils were eager to work in the cafeteria. Not so, this year. Nearly all the pupils needed their study periods for that purpose because they had part-time employment.

As a solution to the help problem, pupils were drafted for work, among whom were: Joe Wright, Betty Armstrong, Lucille Cate, Richard Hewitt, George Murphy, Sonny Wachter, Frank Dodd, Frances Tayloe, Aunda Pierson, James Wahl, Joan Cope, Patsy Cress, Dorothy Gould, Ethel Cox, Mary Ann Whitelow, Lois Mercer, June Prentice, Richard Geiger, Joanne Brown, Martha May, Donald Crowe, Ethel Jewell, Lois Johnson, Eugene Jones, Mamie Kindy.

Nelson Hurst, Marjorie Getter, Christine Goffe, Donald Garwood, Jacques Cook, Mary Kay Augspurger, Eugene Keckler, Charlotte Goens, Phyllis Leist, Jessie Long, Ruby Lancaster, Helen Sites, Joanne Hoover, Francis Michael, Tom Smiley, Emerson Eschbaugh, Ed Bradford, John Morgan, Don McPeek, William Fremont, Donald Faber, Ralph Money, Jack Bunger, Robert Beck.

Sonny Lou John, Phyllis Whipp, Carl Jaeggi, Patsy Salyer, Ted Linderman, Savilla Meyers, Dorothy Ruth, Betty Richards, Carl Hamm, Patsy Carter, Judd Robinson, Ruth Weller, Howard Wilson, Robert Oakley, Doris Puterbaugh, Charlotte Schroeder, Tom Koors, Robert Cook, Mary Lou Garwood, Anna Ballard and Glee Rogers. Marjorie Pummell, Mabel Nelson, Janet Stout, and Ida Mae Schweichart were cashiers.

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Carson Fremont, George Lenning, Margaret Johnson, Eugene Jones (standing), Ned Rasor, Ethel Cox

MY, HOW THEY COULD TALK!

A chapter of the National Forensic League was organized at Fairmont in 1941. Because it is a national organization, to become a member is the goal of every speech student in school. Each speech or dramatic activity leans toward this goal.

Pupils in dramatics and speech may become members after they have earned twenty points, which are allowed for radio work, civic programs, assembly and devotional participation, and contest work. Cumulative points lead to other degrees.

Completing membership requirements this year were Paul Wagner, Chellis Carney, Jeanne Thygerson, Elaine Huber, Ilah Jean Preston, Martha Jane Prater, Jane Conover, Barbara Beatty, Jean Naftgzer, Martha Ann Fox, Joy Pope, Glee Rogers, Betty Sotherland, Beth Hawker, Robert Hedges, Joyce Kelly, Delores Mink and Charles Gastineau.

Delores Mink, in addition to gaining admission points, completed enough work to receive the degree of honor, which requires fifty points. Former members receiving this degree include Ned Rasor, Carson Fremont and George Lenning. George also received the degree of distinction. George Woodward and Eugene Jones received the degree of excellence.

Congratulations from The Telling-Belle Vernon Company

AT SPEAKER'S STAND: Beth Hawker.
SITTING: Jean Naftzger, Glee Rogers, Delores Mink, Betty Sotherland, Mr. Tom C. Battin (adviser), Jane Conover, Charles Gastineau.
STANDING: Joyce Kelly, Joy Pope, Martha Ann Fox, John Stanch, George Woodward, Sonny Wachter, Robert Hedges, Carson Fremont, Margaret Johnson, Martha Prater, Chellis Carney, Barbara Beatty.

THEIR TONGUES WERE 'LOOSE,' TOO!

All members of the Debate and Contest Speech classes are automatically members of the Ohio High School Speech League and have received certificates stating their participation in one or more speech contests this year.

The more active members are Dolores Mink, Martha Ann Fox, Martha Jane Prater, Jane Conover, Joyce Kelly, Betty Sotherland, Beth Hawker, Joy Pope, Robert Hedges, George Woodward, and Glee Rogers. These students have participated in debate, humorous, dramatic, and original rounds in contests which have been held at Hamilton Public, Oakwood, and Columbus North high schools and also in the district meet at Springfield. Students have also done radio work on the public address system during class periods.

In contests this year Barbara Beatty, Jane Conover, Charles Gastineau, Beth Hawker, and Dolores Mink have won first places; while Martha Ann Fox, Joyce Kelly, Dolores Mink, Joy Pope, Martha Jane Prater were second place winners.

George Woodward placed second in the county Prince of Peace contest. Betty Sotherland, George Woodward, and Glee Rogers participated in winning debates.

Best Wishes from Melvin Canode, Bastian Brothers, Rochester, N. Y.

STANDING: Charles Hilton, James Gochoel, Keith Johnson.
FOURTH ROW: Doris Kupp, Martha Glanton, Patty Hutton, Patty Vaughn, Lloyd Miracle, Allen Jenkins, John Morgan, William Powell, Robert Riffle, Walter Meckstroth, John Wood, Forest Weller.
THIRD ROW: Anna Mae Foster, Vera Widau, Robert Miller, Patsy Salyer, Nancy Routzahn, Janet Eby, Joan Stout, Stanley Teaford, Peggy Steig, Ben Weaver.
SECOND ROW: Lee Guernsey, William Horton, Barbara Parks, Patricia Altenburg, Kenneth Ewry, Ted Hein.
FIRST ROW: Lois Mercer, Kathryn Koontz, Joan Hull.

THAT MARCHING ROUTINE, WOW!

When Fairmont's band began its marching season in September, wide-eyed, eager freshmen from Pasadena, Dorothy Lane and Southern Hills joined the ranks of veteran members. They thrived on the stiff discipline, wind and rain, the piercing whistles and "guide rights" and, with the veterans, produced a series of sparkling band routines.

At the opening grid game with Chaminade in the University of Dayton stadium, a coordinated block of players moved out on the field. Suddenly, the stadium became dark and sixty-four tiny pin-points of light starred the field. The band formed a huge note, a dragon, and counter-marched up and down the field. On either side, the American and Fairmont flags waved in the breeze, their colors catching the broad beams turned upon them.

Each day thereafter, the band worked to perfect new formations. On Friday nights, it high-stepped to a swift cadence around the field.

Soon it was time for the Oakwood game. Mr. Clark Haines, director, devised a routine, the "All Time Hit Parade," for the bright and frosty Thanksgiving morning.

Recalling the "good old days," "Daisy Bell" and "The Band Played On" rolled out in the blue. The band formed a huge tandem bicycle with revolving wheels and a gaily turning merry-go-round.

A touch of sanctity was added when the band formed a huge church with a cross above its steeple while playing "God of Our Fathers." From the far corner of the field, robed choristers marched to the door of the church.

The next formation was a great bell and while the band played "The Bells of St. Mary's" a set of chimes carried the melody.

The routine ended when a paper doll was made on the field, and the band played the popular hit, "Paper Doll." From the sidelines clowns, dressed as paper dolls, added a humorous touch.

And so a sun-be-dazzled band marched off the field. To some, it was a beautiful and successful culmination of hard work. To a few, trying hard to swallow painful lumps, it was the inevitable finis of Fairmont's marching band. To Mr. Haines, it was another glorious victory shaped from ingenious planning.

Putting past glories behind, everybody took his place in the music room and began to "dig" for another concert season.

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STANDING: Ralf Trusler, Dexter Reynolds, Margaret Williamson, Charles Gastineau.
FOURTH ROW: Dale Placke, Laura Hanger, Evelyn Stansel, Jack Askren, Dane Stoll, Janet Stout, Lawrence Moyer, Mary K. Augspurger, William Fremont, Ted Rose, Bruce Barnaby.
THIRD ROW: Jack Blair, Janice Thorpe, Mabel Nelson, Barbara Siler, Dwane Coppedge, Marjorie Pummell, Joy Pope, Helen Wappler.
SECOND ROW: Carolyn Penrod, Patricia Wright, Merrill Albrecht, Robert Owens, Max Orlow.
FIRST ROW: Clark J. Haines (conductor), Shirley Leinweber, Betty Parks.

THEIR MUSIC HAD CHARMS, TOO!

Last summer after several successful concerts at N. C. R. Park, parents of band members organized the Band Boosters' Association. At one of their meetings they talked over the finances of the band. Soon new band uniforms will have to be purchased. The group proposed that the band have, annually, a series of three concerts to insure funds for expenses. The concerts are administered similarly to Civic Music Association series. Ralph Ballou of the Dayton Philharmonic Orchestra was soloist at the first concert November 4. The band was hushed as Mr. Ballou took his place among his traps, which glittered in the stage lights. The sticks in his upraised hands were symbols of the art of "defining rhythm." "Calf-Skin Calisthenics" is an apt name for the compository; drum heads vibrated with the flams and rolls of the sticks.

The purpose of a band is not alone to play music. Along with the production of sound comes experiences with each other, with audiences so that a player learns about human nature. There is discipline, too. Where else could it be learned more wisely and surely? Responsibility also enters, for no member, even the thirty-second clarinetist or hundredth cornetist in the last row is important. His notes must be in tune, on time, and present.

To give the band members experience as musicians in their own right, Eugene J. Weigel, Director of Music, Ohio State University, was invited to conduct several numbers for the second concert. Practice February 17 was exciting. Hair atoss on his forehead he begged, "a little more freedom, more soul" in Schubert's immortal "Unfinished Symphony."

The war has disrupted the musical plans of many but it completed those of the Fairmont Band. Wanting to do the "Rapsody in Blue," Mr. Clark Haines searched for someone to play the piano solos. He found Sgt. Joseph Raeiff, stationed at Wright Field. One afternoon he sat down at the piano and played Gerschwin's unforgettable composition, looking smilingly around at the group.

"Class, could we have a little more tempo, here, but broaden this please?" It was a decided thrill to observe two artists, one of expression, the other of interpretation, converse. It took only a look, a nod, a smile or a movement of a shoulder to tell the story.

Sgt. Raeiff's playing of the "Rhapsody" was indeed inspiring and rounded out a brilliant season of concerts with hopes of an ever-shining future.

Congratulations from Rial T. Parrish

TOP ROW: Gwen Wardwell, Phyllis Carroll, Norma Howard, Wilma Andrews, Joan Saatkamp, Joan Nicely, Ruth Dobberstein, Alice Couser, Norma Hurst, Sarah Wallace, Lora Fisher, Marilyn Mitchell, Joyce Marcum, Marilyn Foskuhl.
SECOND ROW: Mr. Clark Haines, LeRoy Moon, Donald Crawmer, Robert Stadlmayr, Patricia Mack, Barbara Kesling, Patricia Holtvogt, Christine Bertrams, Margaret Williamson, Peggy Altenberg, Donald McClanahan, Ralph Young, Pete Michael.
THIRD ROW: Betty Huffman, Dean Smith, Zoa Hull, Imogene Willis, Joan Ferris, Anna Ballard, Vivian Richards, Frances Bruch, Ruby Walker, Norma Blair, Delores Laycox, Dorothy Littell.
BOTTOM ROW: Robert Peterson, Harry McGrew, William Perchment, William Pontis, Dwane Coppedge, Clarence Moon, Bruce McPeek, Richard Page, Ted Blum, Murl Miller, Ralph Gueltig.

CHORUS GAVE 'SHIP' OPERA

Members of the mixed chorus took part in five programs during the year.

Most important was the presentation of "H. M. S. Pinafore," an operetta by Gilbert and Sullivan.

Members of the "H. M. S. Pinafore" cast included: The Rt. Hon. Sir Joseph Porter, K. C. B., First Lord of the Admiralty, Charles Gastineau; Captain Corcoran, Commander of H. M. S. Pinafore, Ted Blum; Ralph Rackstraw, Dane Stoll, understudied by Harry McGrew; Dick Deadeye, Able Seaman, Dwane Coppedge; Bill Bobstay, Boatswain's Mate, Dick Page.

Bob Becket, Carpenter's Mate, Bill Pontis; Josephine, the Captain's daughter, Peggy Altenburg, understudied by Margaret Williamson; Cousin Hebe, Sir Joseph's First Cousin, Joanne Ferris, understudied by Nancy Schiebrel; Little Buttercup, A Portsmouth Bumboat Woman, Norma Howard and Zoa Hull.

The cousins, sisters and aunts were: Anna Ballard, Christine Bertrams, Norma Blair, Francis Bruch, Phyllis Carroll, Alice Couser, Ruth Dobberstein, Marilyn Foskuhl, Lora Fisher, Pat Holtvogt, Delores Laycox, Dorothy Littell, Patty Mack, Marilyn Mitchell, Vivian Richards, Joan Saatkamp, Dean Smith, Joan Nicely, Betty Huffman, Joyce Marcum, Barbara Kesling, Adeline Lucas, Sarah Wallace, Ruby Walker, and Margaret Williamson.

The sailors were: Don McClanahan, Bruce McPeek, Murl Miller, Clarence Moon, LeRoy Moon, Bob Stadlmayr, Ralph Young, Pete Michael.

The group sang for baccalaureate services and an assembly, took part in the Christmas pageant and the Georgia Jubilee Minstrel, given by the intermediate grades and high school.

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BACK ROW: Suzanne Sotherland, Shirley Leinweber, Ruth King, Mamie Kindy, Lorene Speelman, Wilma Robinson, Vera Appenzeller, Marilyn McKay, Virginia Pummell, Betty McCray, Elaine Huber, Louise Jones.
NEXT TO PIANO: Roberta Rohr, Dorothy Stansel, Ilah Jean Preston, Eleanor Deubner, Jean Naftzger, Betty Parks, Margaret Ashworth, Louise Swigart, Winifred Denham, Mabel Harned, Betty McDonald.
SITTING: Ann Underwood, Mr. Clark Haines (at the piano), Betty McClurg, Evelyn Laub.
NOT PICTURED: Betty Stoll.

THEY MADE AIR WAVES BUZZ

Good afternoon. This is station WHIO. The theme you are hearing is that of the Fairmont High School Girls' Glee Club under the direction of Mr. Clark Haines. Mrs. Velma Kenney is at the organ and Don Wayne is your announcer.

Today you are listening to the last of the weekly broadcasts given at 1:45 o'clock every Saturday, and, instead of the usual rendition of "music styled for you," we would like to tell you something of the organization of the group.

The president is Jean Naftzger whose job it is to keep order and direct the girls in the absence of Mr. Haines. Secretarial duties are carried on by Shirley Leinweber. Program chairman is Betty Parks, who schedules and makes many of the outside arrangements. A committee functions to choose and obtain music and compile annotations for each of the numbers sung on the air. Democracy at its best!

Outstanding personalities of the Glee Club are the charming quartet composed of Evelyn Laub, Vera Appenzeller, Ann Underwood, and Wilma Robinson; "Rowena," better known as Betty Parks, and her oboe; soprano soloists, Jean Naftzger, Roberta Rohr and Elaine Huber. Add to that the splendid musicianship of Clark "Spitalny" Haines and that is the Fairmont Girls' Glee Club.

In addition to the weekly broadcasts, the girls made appearances at the Engineers' Club, Parent-Teachers' Association card party, Patterson Field, St. John's Episcopal Church, Lion's Club, Soldiers' Club, Biltmore Hotel, Miami Hotel, Westminster Church, Kiwanis Club, and the Art Institute.

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DRAMATIC PRODUCTIONS ARE HITS

"Best Foot Forward," a comedy in three acts, by John Cecil Holm, was given by the junior class on April 14. The play, directed by Miss Leah Funck, was based on the musical comedy, "Best Foot Forward," produced on Broadway in 1941.

Trials and tribulations of a young movie starlet when she invades a boys' prep school for their annual prom is the plot of the play.

Characters playing in the production are: Dutch Miller, Sonny Wachter; Hunk Hoyt, Jerry Bowser; Satchel Moyer, Paul Young; Chuck Green, Ben Weaver; Dr. Reeber, Robert Warner; Old Grad, James Irons; Minerva, Evelyn Laub; Ethel, Martha Prater; Miss Delaware Water Gap, Barbara Beatty; Blind Date, Delores Mink; Bud Hooper, Jerry Jarrett; Professor Lloyd, Robert Hedges; Gale Joy, Jane Conover; Jack Haggerty, Richard Forward; Chester Billings, Robert Huston; Helen Schlessinger, Martha Kalter; Miss Smith, Joyce Kelly.

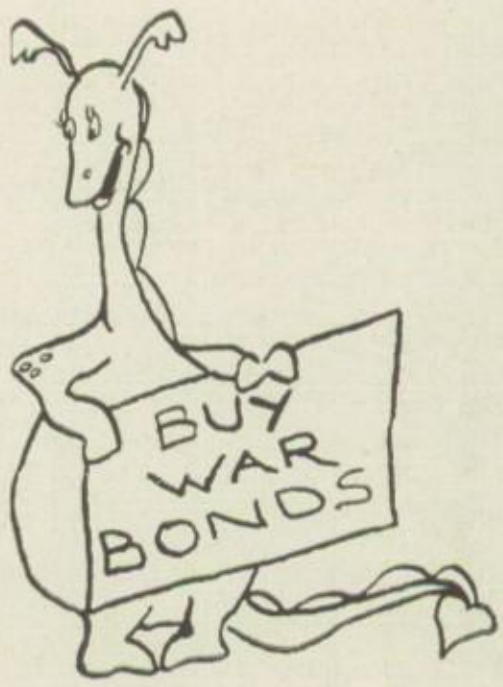
"And Came the Spring," a comedy in three acts by Joseph Hayes, was produced by members of the senior class on December 3, 1943.

Miss Leah Funck was director of the production.

Those chosen for the cast in the play were: Edna, the maid, Betty Parks; Clancy, the gardner, Richard Stein; Midge Hartman, Jeanne Thygerson; Mrs. Hartman, Joanne Gummere; Mr. Hartman, Donald Placke; Virginia Hartman, Elaine Huber; Elliott Hartman, Ned Rasor; Buzz Lindsay, Kent Zopf; Carolyn Webster, Ilan Jean Preston; Christine Meyers, Margaret Johnson; Freddie North, Robert Cook; Gabby Allen, Barbara Wilson; Keith Nolan, George Lenning; Mrs. Fields, Betty Sotherland; Mr. Fields, Carson Fremont; Alan Fields, Edward Benson; Messenger Boy, Thomas Welsh.

Ushers were Betty Richards, Doris Borton, Louise Gross, Alice Head, Marjorie Lesher, Betty Woolley, Winnie Denham, Jean Shively, and Janet Naas.

In charge of stage property were James Bowser, William Perchment, William Pontis, and James Wallace.



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BACK ROW: Richard Crauder, Donald McClanahan, Richard Cook, William Fremont, Richaid Forward, Jack Thomas, Paul Young, Robert Warner, Victor Grabeman, Kent Zopf.
LEANING ON PIANO: Mr. Russell H. Huston (adviser), Richard Stein, James Wallace, Jerry Jarrett, Don Hafner, Paul Wagner, William Liebetrau, James Irons, Ray Harding.
SEATED: (on chairs) William Pontis, George Mullen, Jerry Bowser (at piano); (on floor) Jack Bunger, Ed Benson, James Wahl, Frank Dodd, Robert Cook.

SERVICE IS THE KEY WORD

Fairmont's Hi-Y club is an organization to further high moral standards among boys. In one word, its purpose is service: service to its members, to school, to the community, to the nation, to the world, and to God.

Early in the year, eighteen sophomore and junior boys were inducted into the group to augment the ten seniors already active. Richard H. Stein served as president, taking an active part in the town and country cabinet meetings. Other officers of the club included Carl Hamm, vice president; George Mullen, secretary; William Pontis, treasurer; and Tom Koors, sergeant-at-arms. Mr. Russell Huston is adviser.

Activities during the year included a dance after the Fairmont-Piqua game and an "April Fool's Prance," at which Mae Jean and her orchestra played.

A joint meeting with the Girl Reserves at the Y. W. C. A., when racial problems were discussed, was perhaps the most interesting meeting of the year. Jerry Bowser, Victor Grabeman and Richard Stein contributed to the discussion led by Betty Sotherland.

James Wahl, William Pontis and Richard Stein attended a convention at Camp Kern early in the year when problems of the organization were considered. Kent Zopf and Richard Stein attended the Ohio-West Virginia council meeting in November.

Committees helping to further the organization included:

Social: Jack Bunger, Ray Harding, Victor Grabeman, Robert Cook, Frank Dodd, Carl Hamm, James Irons, William Liebetrau, James Wahl.

Worship and devotional: Robert Warner, Paul Young, Don McClanahan, William Fremont, Ed Benson.

Financial: George Mullen, William Pontis, Jack Thompson, Tom Koors, Richard Forward, James Wallace.

Program: Paul Wagner, Jerry Bowsher, Don Hafner, Richard Cook, Richard Crauder, Kent Zopf.

Publicity: Frank Dodd, Carl Hamm, James Wahl, Richard Stein.

TOP ROW: Dorothy Dodd, Janice Thorpe, Helen Wappler, Barbara Parks, Marilyn Whisler, Suzanne Pohlmeyer, Elaine VonGreyerz, Lois Hawker, Martha Kemper, Dorothy Lenning, Patricia Pickle.
THIRD ROW: Miss Miriam Wilson (adviser), Martha Fox, Sarah Stansel, Martha May, Marcheta Christensen, Shirley Jarvis, Pat Hutton, Phyllis Whipp, Peggy Ann Peek, Barbara Siler, Pat Holtvogt, Betty Douglass.
SECOND ROW: Delores Mink, Joyce Kelly, Evelyn Press, Betty Parks, Joanne Gummere, Eunice Blanchard, Lois Johnson, Eleanor Deubner, Pat Brugler, Mildred Sherzer.
BOTTOM ROW: Evelyn Laum, Suzie Sotherland, Patsy Cress, Edna McKinney, Marylee Jarrett, Martha Prater, Jane Conover, Betty Sotherland.

OF THESE ORGANIZATIONS

Forty-four girls from all four class groups assembled in September for the first Purple-Tri meeting of '43-'44. Over half of these girls were new members, who were soon to be seen in the corridors in strange array, salaaming to their erstwhile superiors, the old members. After a week of this treatment, the neophytes were considered worthy of membership and were warmly welcomed into the organization at a combined candlelight service and banquet at the Y. W. C. A. There the new members entertained the group with many unusual stunts.

The officers, who form the Cabinet of the club, had been elected in May of the preceding school year. They were: Suzanne Sotherland, president; Evelyn Laub, vice president; Martha Prater, secretary; Edna McKinney, treasurer; Jane Conover, program chairman; Patsy Cress, service chairman; Betty Sotherland, publicity chairman; and Marylee Jarrett, devotions chairman. This group was responsible for the planning of the general programs for the year, ably assisted by the standing program committee of Jane Conover, Marilyn Whisler, Martha Fox, and Eunice Blanchard.

The programs were planned to make social and service activities balance and included the following: a program of music and a talk by a Porto Rican woman; a bean-bag making fest, at which time bags were made for the city nursery schools; a Christmas party, featuring a play by the members; a discussion program at which the race question was warmly considered; a musical appreciation program, a combined meeting with the Hi-Y, a visit to the Art Institute, a mother and daughter banquet, and a picnic, which wound up the regular meetings of the year. A Leap Year Hop was January 15.

Four members, not pictured are Joanne Ferris, Jennie Bowser, Jeannine Tullis, and Margaret Henderson.

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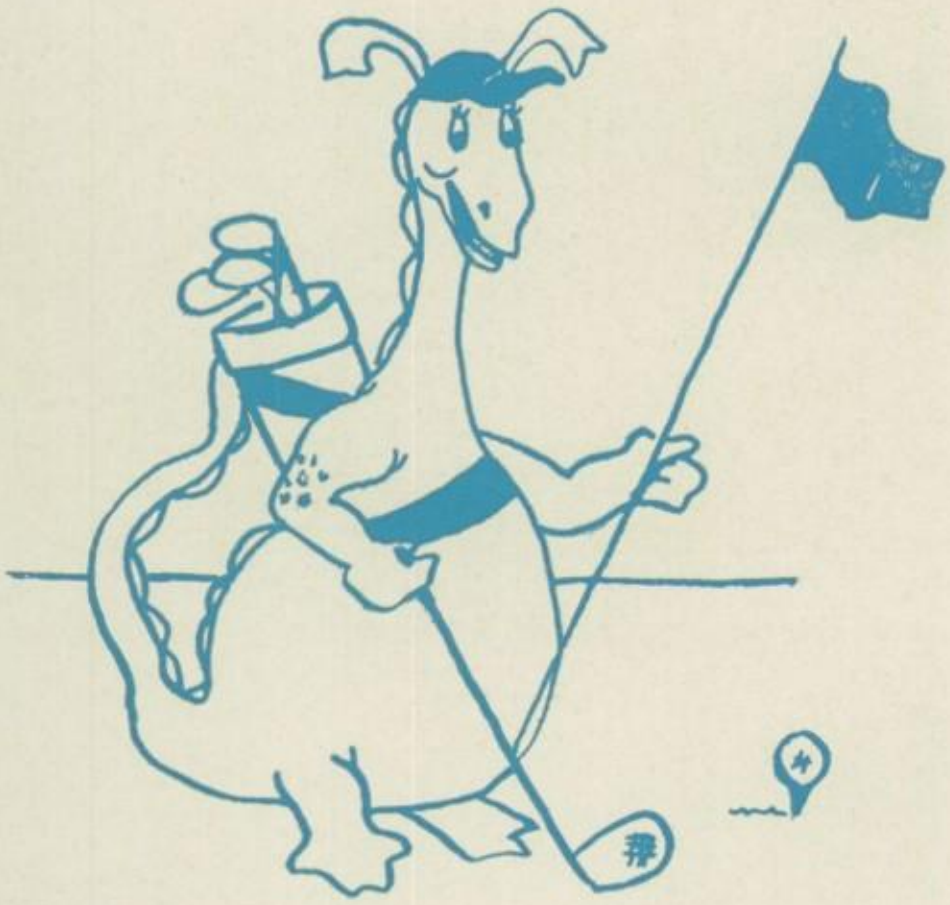
GETTING IN "TRIM" FOR THE ARMED FORCES
IS THE AIM OF THIS GROUP OF SENIORS.



Athletics

FEWER 1-A MEN, LESS GAS . . . BUT NO LACK OF ENERGY, ENTHUSIASM AND ZIP IN BOYS AND GIRLS SPORTS . . .

TRAINING WAS A BIT STRENUOUS

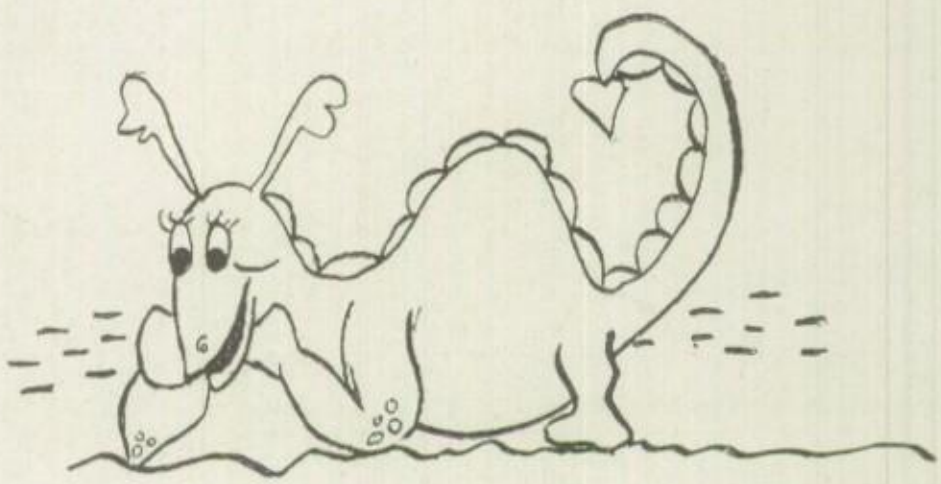
Fairmont began its grid season September 19 by upsetting a strong pre-season favorite, Chaminade, 6-0. Played on the University of Dayton field, the game was a line battle in which the Dragons were able to push a touchdown over in the last four minutes of play. Hamm punted; it was blocked but Stuart recovered it.

Fairmont's "strong" eleven continued in winning lanes by pushing down a fast Monroe team on the home grid iron, September 25, 25-6. The first half found Fairmont leading 13-6, and they later plunged several times to score again. An 85-yard run by Liebetrau climaxed the game.

The gridders opened their Miami Valley League schedule by overcoming Sidney's Yellow Jackets at Sidney, October 2, 44-0. Senior Back Karl Grugin had a field day as he scored five touchdowns. The game was a complete runaway, members of the varsity leaving the field for an inexperienced eleven.

Entertaining an always powerful Miamisburg Viking eleven, Fairmont scored its fourth win, 20-0, on October 9. Strong, fast line and backfield play was outstanding in the Dragons' game. Fairmont pushed over for a touchdown and a 6-0 lead, but the tempo increased shortly after the second half began, when the eleven ran over two quick touchdowns. They never ceased threatening until the final whistle.

Fairmont went on the road again for the second time as they treked to Xenia, October 16, to engage an undefeated Xenia Central

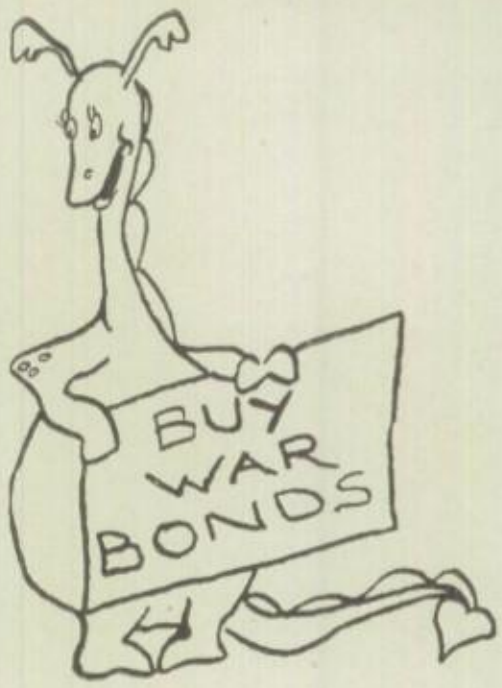


AT TIMES, BUT I SURVIVED

As mascot of Fairmontonians, I attended all games. These scenes were taken at the Oakwood game.

Coaches Watts and Arnold

Ed Bradford, Billy McKinnon, Margaret Getter, Sonny Wachter, Margaret Williamson



SEASON BEGINS WITH VICTORY . . .

eleven. Xenia was complete master of the field during the first half, scoring a touchdown early in the period. A different Dragon team kicked off to the Bucs, recovered a fumble, and quickly rushed over for a touchdown. They scored an extra point. Minutes later, Fairmont threatened and then Spearhead Karl Grugin was injured. Rain started; threats were downed; and the game ended: Fairmont 7, Xenia 6.

An undefeated Fairmont eleven lost its first game of the season to a fired-up Wilbur Wright team, October 27, 19-6. The Pilots, losing their first game the previous week, in the first half came out and drove through for two quick touchdowns and then added another in the second half. The Dragons scored on an intercepted pass by Klemm early in the first quarter. Fairmont was minus the services of Grugin, Harding and Forward and the services of Stuart were lost when he broke his cheek bone.

Missing the services of seven injured boys, the Dragons suffered their second defeat in as many Miami Valley League games, when a fast and small invading Troy team scored 20 points against them on October 30. The younger and inexperienced boys on the team were unable to score.

Fairmont's injury-riddled eleven almost upset the applecart, November 6, at Piqua, 19-12. First half play ended with Fairmont holding

. . . BUT ENDS IN DISASTER

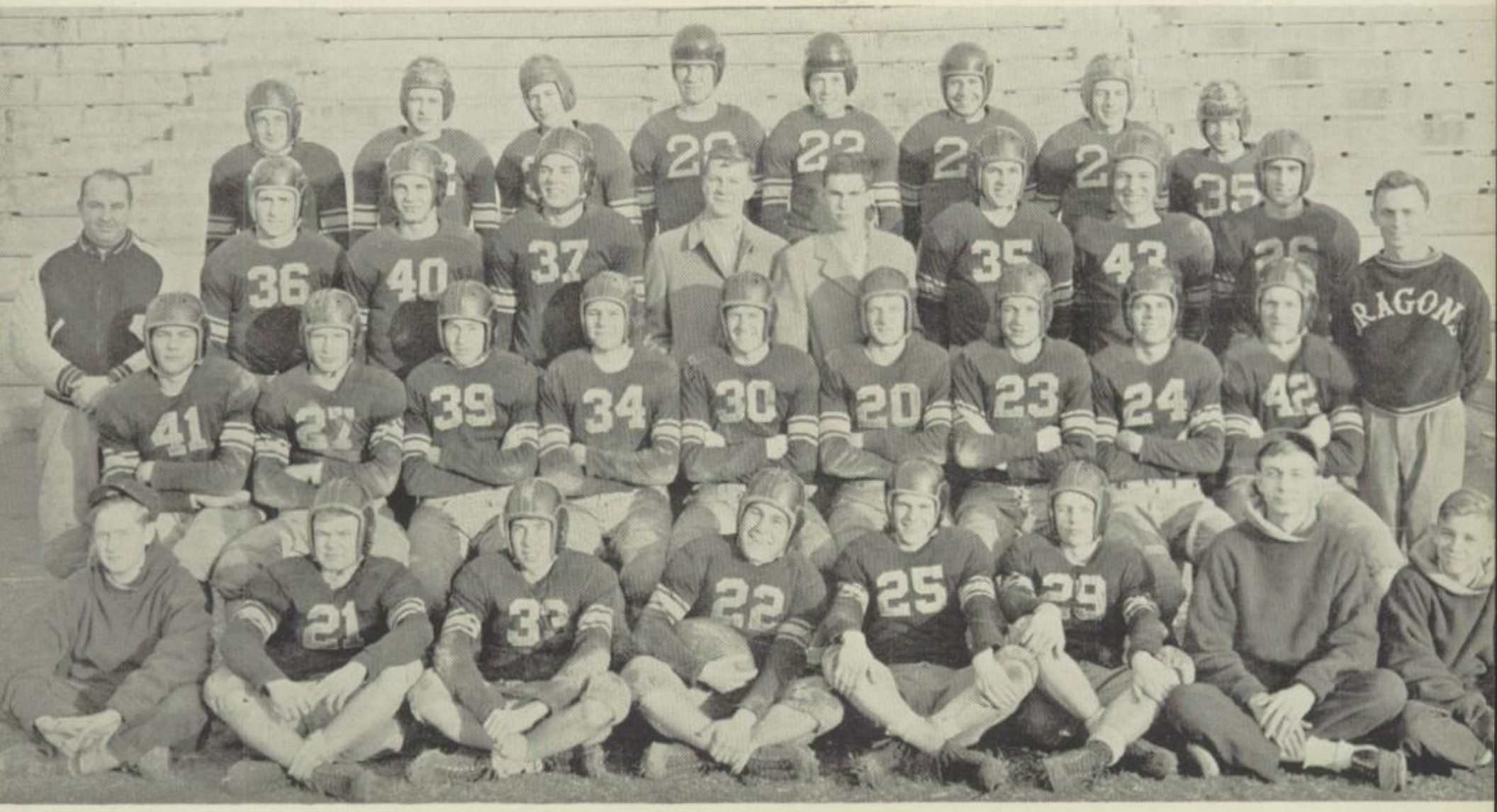
the upper hand even though the two teams had tied, 6-6. Piqua scored two quick touchdowns early in the second half. The Dragons scored again and continued to threaten to score throughout the fourth quarter, but were unable to push over the pigskin.

For the fourth straight week, on November 13, an inexperienced Dragon team was not able to push over the leather and the once-proud team lost to Greenville on the home field, 6-0. Six times the Dragons were within Greenville's 15-yard line but the punch was not there.

An inspired Oakwood team, on Thanksgiving day, scored two touchdowns in the first quarter and held off all threats of the Dragons, to win 13-0. Nearly 6,000 spectators witnessed the game.

THE SEASON

Sept.	19	Chaminade at U. D.	6	0
Sept.	25	Monroe at Fairmont	25	6
Oct.	2	Fairmont at Sidney	44	0
Oct.	9	Miamisburg at Fairmont	20	0
Oct.	16	Fairmont at Xenia	7	6
Oct.	23	Wilbur Wright at Fairmont	6	19
Oct.	30	Troy at Fairmont	0	20
Nov.	6	Fairmont at Piqua	12	19
Nov.	13	Greenville at Fairmont	0	6
Nov.	25	Oakwood at U. D.	0	13



TOP ROW: Raymond Harding, Ralph Young, Jerry Jarrett, Eugene Keckler, Robert Huston, Robert Sturm, Raymond Munger, Donald McPeek.
THIRD ROW: Coach Hadley Watts, George Mullens, Nelson Hurst, James Stuart, Tom Koors, Karl Grugin, Fred Kratzer, James Irons, Frank Dodd.
SECOND ROW: Clarence Westbeld, James Wallace, Harry McGrew, Paul Wagner, Marvin Robinson, Carl Hamm, Karl Klemm, Paul McFall, Ralph Gueltig, Assistant Coach Vincent Arnold.
BOTTOM ROW: Don McClannahan (manager), Robert Warner, Jerry Bowser, William Walther, Forest Grugin, Richard Forward, Richard Stein (manager), Joe Gantner (manager).
NOT PICTURED: William Liebetrau.

THAT GREENVILLE GAME . . .

It's a Report of the Season

Fairmont's Dragons opened their '43-'44 court season December 7, completely overwhelming an experienced and tall Waynesville five 36-16. Sophomore Jack Bunger hit the net for seventeen points.

Before a small crowd on December 11, the Dragon hoopsters were successful in defeating Lebanon's Golden Eagles, 32-22. Senior Forward Marvin Robinson hit the hoop for ten counters.

The cage five bumped into a surprisingly strong Kiser team December 14 and the two teams battled on even terms for three quarters; but in the last period the Dragons broke loose to win, 32-28. Marvin Robinson and Jack Bunger divided eighteen points.

Before a large home crowd, Eaton, December 17, took the wind out of Fairmont's five 40-27. The home team regained its prestige December 22 when they entertained the powerful Hamilton Public team, and hurled the leather through the hoop just before the whistle to win, 32-31. Jack Bunger scored twelve points and Liebetrau eleven.

A small Centerville quintet invaded the Dragon's gym on December 31 and returned home victorious 34-33 in a hard fought game. With only five seconds remaining, Curt Wilson, senior forward, broke loose to throw the ball through the hoop, but the basket was nullified by a referee's decision, "Player traveling."

Opening their Miami Valley League season January 7, the Dragons engaged the invading Sidney five in a one-sided game, winning 50-23. Led by Jack Bunger, who scored twenty-two points, the Dragons were never in danger.

Going on the road for the first time, the Dragon quintet invaded Miamisburg, January 14, and came home with a 33-24 win over their bitter rivals. William Liebetrau scored twelve points to help win the second league game.

Before a capacity crowd, Fairmont's five met and defeated Xenia Central, last year's MVL champs, January 31. Final score was 32-20.

WASN'T IT AN EXCITING ONE?

Sparked by Center Don Placke, who basketed twelve points, the Dragons were in danger the first half; however, Fairmont pulled away to a comfortable lead after halftime intermission, for her third league win.

Trekking to Monroe, January 28, the Fairmont hoopsters lost their third game of the season to a strong Monroe five, 28-27. Jack Bunger was high for Fairmont, scoring ten points.

A revenge-hungry Fairmont team met and severely trounced Wilbur Wright's team, 34-22, January 29. Wright led the first half; only to have the home boys take the lead to victory early in the second half. Don Placke was high, making twelve points.

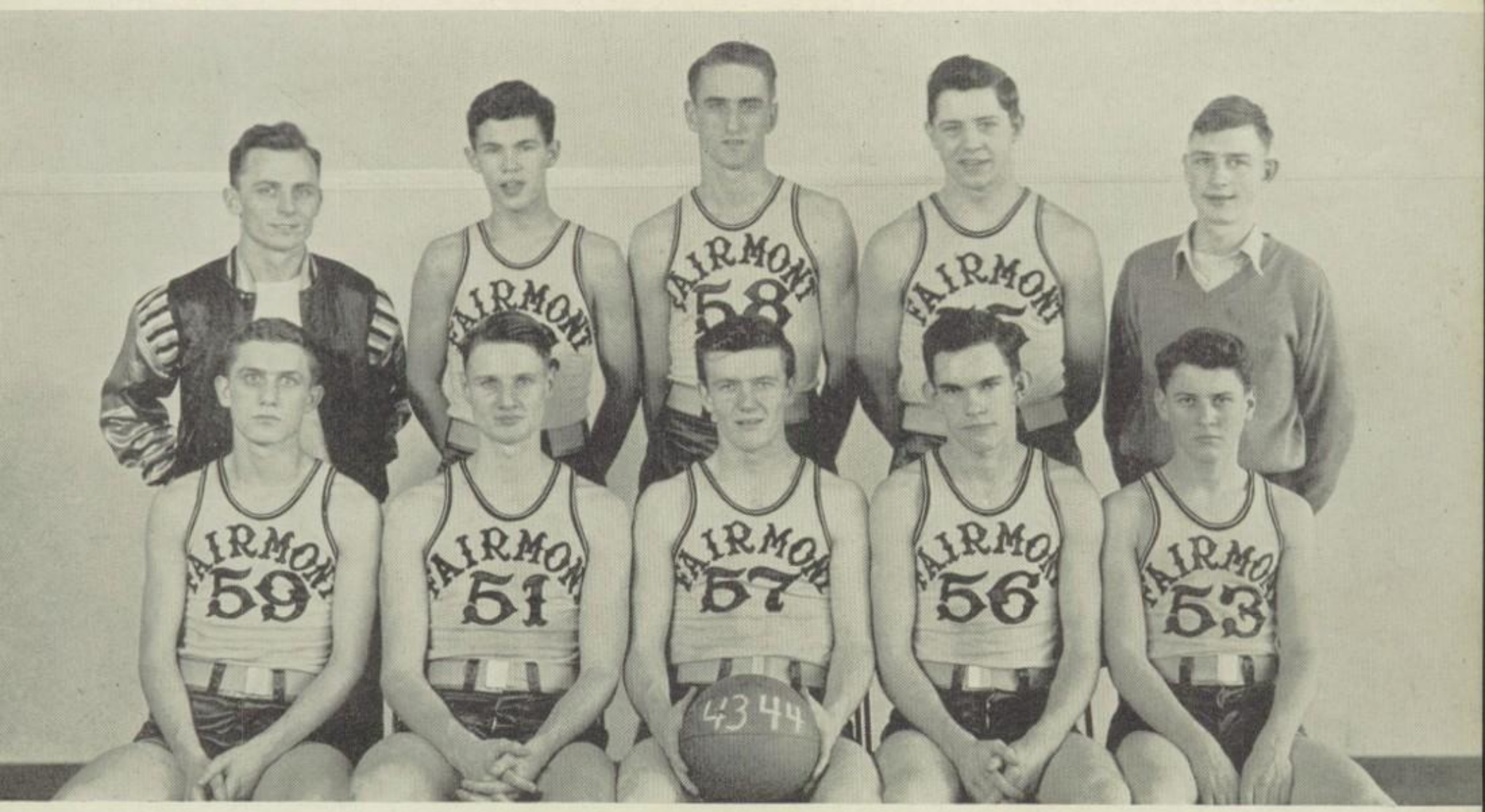
Playing the crucial league contest, the Dragons trekked to Troy, February 4, only to come home after a sound beating, 27-22. William Liebetrau was high, scoring eleven points.

Having to win, or else lose all chances for a league title, the Fairmont basketeers smashed a Piqua five, February 11, 42-27. Don Placke scored fifteen points.

February 18 found the Dragons traveling to Greenville in search of a title, where they lost both, the game, 50-33, and the title. Marvin Robinson accounted for eight points.

Traditional rivals, Fairmont and Oakwood, met on Oakwood's floor to battle for the '44 victory. Superior height and Oakwood's ability to hit the net proved to be too much for the Dragons, and they were defeated, 51-23. Sophomore Jack Bunger was high with ten points.

When the Fairmont five met Greenville in the district tournament, March 2, they played fine ball, resulting in a 31-31 score when the final whistle blew. A three minute overtime was played and, with only five seconds remaining, Holzappel of Greenville sank a shot from the foul circle, giving the Greenwaves the game, 33-31. Don Placke, Karl Grugin and the remainder of the squad showed fine spirit in this, their final game.



SITTING: William Liebetrau, Don Placke, Marvin Robinson, Karl Grugin, Jack Bunger.
STANDING: Mr. Vincent Arnold (coach), Tom Smiley, Frank Dodd, Curtis Wilson, Paul Young.

FROSH AND RESERVES BRING HONORS

STANDING: Robert Oakley, Don Hafner, James Irons, John Morgan, Robert Wise, Mr. Vincent Arnold (coach).

IN FRONT: Lawrence Moyer, Richard Cook, Paul Wagner.

STANDING: Peter Michael, James Widman, Walter Schutz, Coach Hadley Watts, Paul Kolbe, Harry Fleming, Jack England.

KNEELING: George Jenkins, Robert Riffle, Leland Norris, Murl Miller, Richard Walther, Ralph Young.

Champions of the Dayton Junior High Basketball League were the Fairmont frosh, who won the ten games scheduled. Hadley Watts coached the boys.

The Dragons reserves, coached by Vincent Arnold, also made a fine showing, winning eleven out of sixteen games.

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GOLF, BASEBALL ARE SPRING FAVORITES

Top Row: Don Garwood, Raymond Munger, Harry Lenz, Tom Weaver, Robert Riffle, Dale Placke, William Metzler, Tom Smith.
Second Row: Leland Norris, Orville Madliger, Lawrence Moyer, Harold Demmer, Edward Benson, Robert Cook, Ralph Money, Richard Knabe.
Bottom Row: Murl Miller, Jack Bunger, Curtis Wilson, Don Placke, Merrill Albrecht, James Wahl, Eugene Keckler, Jack Powers, James Irons.
Kneeling, in front: David Fitch, Don McClanahan.

Gerald Robinson, Donald Grugin, Eugene Jones, Robert Wise, Glen Ridgeway.

Spring sports at Fairmont included golf under the direction of Richard Somers; tennis, coached by Clark Haines; baseball, in charge of Russell Huston, and track, in charge of Hadley Watts.

Competition included many Miami Valley League schools and several city teams. All teams were consistent winners.

TOP ROW: Vivian Eads, Gwen Wardwell, Margaret Henderson, Jenny Bowser, Beulah Stevens, Kathryn Koontz, Lois Hawker, Christine Bertrams, Martha May, Jeannine Tullis, Marilyn Finley, Sarah Wallace, Patty Vaughn, Mamie Kindy, Myrtle Ring, Evelyn Laub.
SECOND ROW: Jane Conover, Anna Mae Foster, Lee Guernsey, Beth Hawker, Lois Todd, Mary Jo Stadlmayr, Marjorie Todd, Audrey Jones, Barbara Beatty, Elaine Huber, Eleanor Deubner, Betty Parks, Ilah Jean Preston, Margaret Johnson, Shirley Jarvis, Esther Ann Bower.
THIRD ROW: Joanne Ferris, Evelyn Stansel, Vivian Moon, Laura Hanger, Ruth King, Vera Appenzeller, Mary Kay Augspurger, Janice Thorpe, Eileen Holtvogt, Mary Agnes Baudendistel, Vera Widau, Betty Schwartz, Patty Altenberg, Marjorie Lesher, Ida Mae Schweickart, Miss Gladys Powell (adviser).
FOURTH ROW: Marilyn Collins, Martha Kemper, Beverly Willis, Dorothy Lenning, Dorothy Dodd, Martha Kalter (vice president), Betty Richards (point secretary), Pat Holtvogt (secretary-treasurer), Pat Brugler (president), Betty Sotherland, Suzie Sotherland, Peggy Altenburg, Jean MacLardie, June Somers.
BOTTOM ROW: Marjorie Getter, Genevieve Eads, Nancy Oblinger, Betty Edwards, Margaret Getter, Marilyn McKay, Wilma Robinson, Oneita Elkins, Jean Utz, Roberta Worthington.

THOSE GIRLS ARE SPORTS CONSCIOUS

The Girls' Athletic Association, under the direction of Miss Gladys Powell, enjoyed a busy year. The officers chosen last fall were: Pat Brugler, president; Martha Kalter, vice president and social chairman; Pat Holtvogt, secretary and treasurer; Point Treasurer Betty Richards. These girls attended the social and business activities of the organization.

On September 10, hockey practice began. As last year, a varsity and a reserve team were formed. Games were played with Oakwood and Fairview. The scores: Fairview 2, Fairmont 1; Oakwood 8, Fairmont 0; Fairview 1, Fairmont 0; Oakwood 6, Fairmont 0. Although the girls didn't have a very successful season, they all were sorry when hockey ended for the year.

A freshman hockey team was also organized. They played two games with Oakwood, winning one and tying the other. This was the first time that Fairmont had ever defeated an Oakwood team in hockey.

When hockey had passed from the limelight, the girls began thinking about volley ball and basketball. Eight teams were formed for volley ball, the games being played after school on Friday nights. Team 1 headed by Myrtle Ring won the tournament. Some teams were kept for basketball. Myrtle Ring's team was awarded the gold basketballs for winning seven games and having no losses.

After basketball, the table tennis and badminton tournaments began. Beverly Willis, a freshman, won the table tennis championship and Louise Noble won the badminton championship. Since there were several good players entered in the contests, the girls had plenty of competition.

The outstanding spring sport is tennis. Every night after school, girls could be seen practicing drives, serves, and difficult back hand strokes. The team this year consisted of Beth Hawker, June Somers, Barbara Beatty, Myrtle Ring, Ruth King, and Martha Kalter. Games were played with Fairview and Osborn.

Each of the girls strives hard to win a letter. When she is present for any of the intramural sports, such as hockey, basketball, or bad-

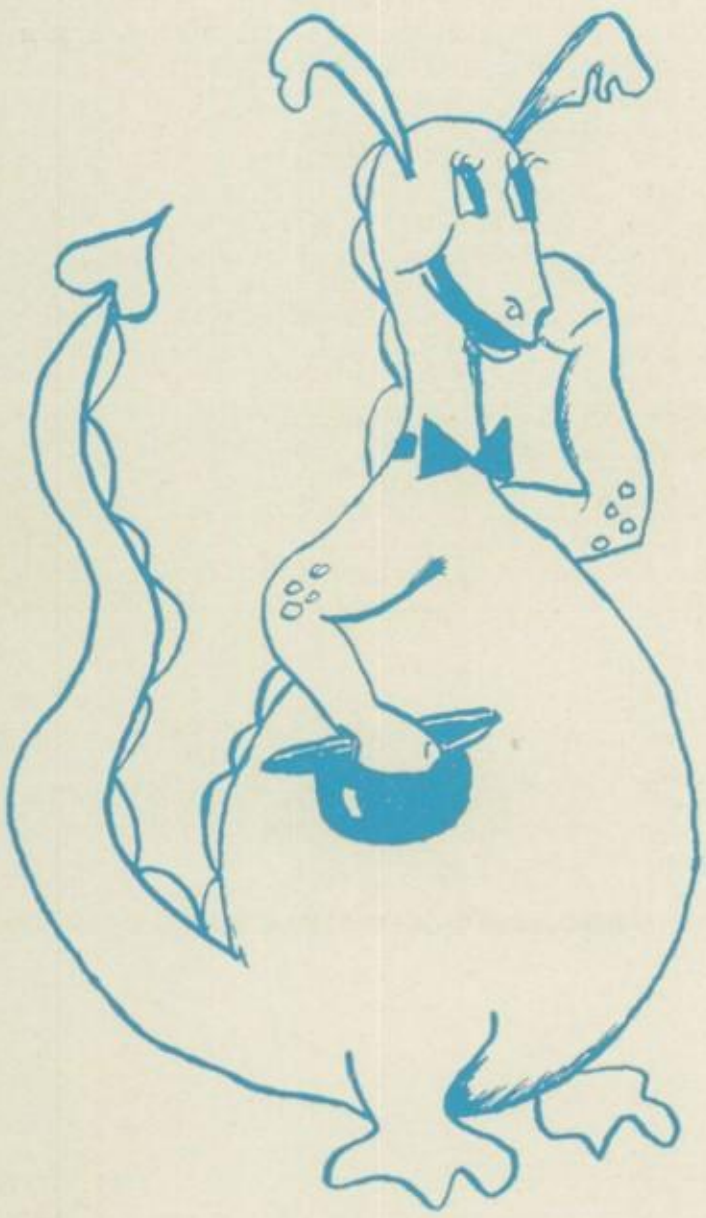
THEY HAVE COMPETITIVE SPIRIT

minton, she receives twenty-five points. When she has two hundred fifty, she automatically becomes a member of the Girls' Athletic Association. Twelve hundred points entitles her to a school letter. She can add to the twelve hundred points to get a star, a pin, and finally, a medal. The girls who received their letters this year were: Esther Ann Bower, Dorothy Dodd, Oneita Elkins, Marilyn Finley, Lee Guernsey, Marjorie Lesher, Jean McLardie, Betty Parks, June Somers, Suzanne Sotherland, Jeanine Tullis, Jean Utz, and Roberta Worthington. Pins will go to Pat Brugler, Vivian Eads, Marjorie Getter and Martha Kalter. Numerals were won by Marjorie Getter and Martha Kalter. Medals will be issued to Pat Holtvogt, Myrtle Ring and Betty Richards. Receivers of bracelets are Betty Richards, Pat Holtvogt, and Myrtle Ring.

An active Girls' Athletic Association season was ended by the annual backward dance, held in April.

Feminine Fairmontonians participating in archery, tennis, hockey, baseball, badminton, basketball.

MEN FROM WALT DISNEY'S STUDIO DRAW SNOW WHITE AND THE SEVEN DWARFS AT A WEEKLY ASSEMBLY PROGRAM.



Features

NO PAPER, NO FILM . . . BUT NO LACK OF

INTEREST IN BOND BUYING, HISTORY, FRIVOLITIES . . .

They Did Many Things!

physical fitness. By the change in schedule, the seniors had only one semester of English and civics, omitting economics.

Edward Benson was elected president of the Class of '44; Carl Hamm, vice president; Suzie Sotherland, treasurer; Jeanne Thygerson, secretary, and Elaine Huber, social chairman. The group sponsored two dances.

"And Came the Spring" was the senior play, directed by Miss Leah Funck. Jeanne Thygerson, Elaine Huber, George Lenning and Kent Zopf had leading roles. Miss Funck "stole" the show when she had to substitute for Kent who became ill at the last moment.

Athletic accomplishments were made by Marvin Robinson, Karl Krugin, Carl Hamm, Carl Klemm, George Mullen, and Donald Placke.

The class is eagerly awaiting May 31—graduation—the end of their high school career and the beginning of a great—at first sight, unpleasant—journey. They are standing on the threshold of life, the horizon is a dark and gloomy one, covered by a barrage of war-clouds. They, the Class of '44, are determined to do their best to erase this dark, formidable picture and help to replace it with a life brightened by peace, love, and sunshine.

—Lois Hanback

HAPPILY EVER AFTER

In 1954, after having inherited a huge sum of money, I decided to make a tour of the country to see what had happened to the Class of '44.

My first stop was at Dayton's Buggy Flower Shop to pay a bill because the proprietor was beginning to send me nasty notes. Whom should I see but Louise Jones behind the counter; she had just finished an experiment of crossing a mushroom and a water lily. Glancing to the rear of the store I saw Harry McGrew with a lovely bunch of daisies in his arms. He was assisting Miss Jones in her experiments.

Looking at my watch, I saw it was time for my train. I yelled "goodbye" and ran all the way to the station. I had just settled myself comfortably on the Spirit of St. Louis, when I heard a giggle. I turned around and saw Myrtle Ring and Marjorie Lesher. Myrt was knitting a dog sweater and Marge was reading the directions aloud. I didn't want to disturb them so I went to sleep. Before I knew it, I was in New York's Pennsylvania Station. Elaine Huber, author of the best seller, "How to Get and Hold a Man," met me at the station.

We had luncheon and she told me that Jean Naftzger and Margaret Ashworth were singing in the Metropolitan opera. They were currently starred in "Rigoletto." During the afternoon we went to the blood bank to give some of our precious blood and Shirley Pierson and Patricia Enscoe were there to jab us with their needles.

As I left Elaine, I was almost knocked down by a street cleaner who turned out to be Don Placke. I remembered that from his childhood, Don had always wanted to be a street cleaner.

Having concluded my visit in New York, I boarded a train for St. Louis where, upon arriving, I visited the famous "Home for Friendless Dogs," run by Mr. and Mrs. Rasor, whom I recognized as Ned and Genny.

I went with them to hear a concert by the Raunchy Symphony. Playing first oboe was Betty Parks, and the conductor was Shirley Leinweber. I went backstage afterward and we chatted gaily for an hour. Betty told me she had recently received letters from Betty Armstrong and Mary Jane Abbott, who were missionaries in New Guinea. Over there they had seen James Bowser, Robert Clebek and Carson Fremont selling Clebek brushes. My, how people get around!

I hated to leave Betty and Shirley, but I had to continue to Kansas City. Having started, I was feeling quite lonely as the train whizzed by the trees and houses. As it slowed down for a crossing, a freight passed. The sight I saw made me feel brighter, for on top of a refrigerator car playing cards sat Tom Koors, Fritz Klemm, the Grugin brothers, Bill Walthers and Marv Robinson.

Nearly happy when I arrived in Kansas City, I dropped in to see Jeanne Thygerson and Barbara Wilson who had a colossal dance duet act for a carnival. The Webster Twins were also doing a balloon act in the same side show.

After I left the carnival, I was standing on a corner when a car stopped with a screech of brakes and a girl in slacks tumbled out; it was Jackie Walkup. I went with her to her apartment and telephoned Charlotte Goens while Jackie prepared a steak dinner. (She always was a good cook!) While trying to get Charlotte, I recognized the operator's voice as that of Harriet Frey.

Having decided to make a change in plans, I went to the airport to catch a plane for Denver. When I started to climb aboard someone called my name. I turned and saw Elmer Scott looking smart in his pilot's uniform. He was flying the plane I was taking. Finally the doors were closed and before I knew it, I was in Denver.

I decided I could stand a shampoo and wave so I went to the Curry Comb Salon where Jill Pummell and Marjorie Getter worked on me. After being baked for two hours, I felt that I needed some fresh air. When I walked out, I saw Jody Mullen wheeling a baby carriage down the street; I peeked into it and, lo and behold, there was Jody, Jr. His father told me there was a good flea circus in town so I went to see it. Walking into the circus, I saw the Sotherland Twins talking wheedlingly to the fleas. I always knew they would do great things with their talent!

Later in the afternoon while I was sitting in the park resting, two breathless girls came toward me. They were Chellis Carney and Betty Stoll, and they were getting ready for the six-day bicycle races—I couldn't have imagined that ten years ago! Suddenly, I heard a loud noise. I looked around and saw Eugene Jones standing on a soap box making a speech, Glee, his wife, would mop his forehead every few seconds.

I went to a play that evening with Bill Kemper. Franklin Roudebush took the tickets; and then we were seated, seeing James Stuart's "When the Cows Come Home." When the lights were dimmed, Jack Thomas, the villian, stalked on the stage. Helen Underwood, the heroine, was screaming. Of course, the hero, Bill Pontis, came to her rescue. Harold Demmer went through the audience three times selling programs. I soon found myself wondering how many more of the Class of '44 would turn up. The next day I went on a shopping spree. In an exclusive shop, Louise Noble and Doris Gray were modeling. Valerie Kissinger was the owner of the shop. She even had a French accent. She told me Lois Hanback was autographing copies of her new book, "One Hundred

Forty-Four Ways To Fry Fish." I bought the book and went around to have her sign it. I found Evelyn Yaus was her manager. (One friendship had lasted through the years).

A fire siren broke the silence of the morning. Soon a fire engine tore around the corner and driving it was Richard Trainor. Curtis Wilson was the back seat driver.

After the night's rest, I went to Phoenix. There, I went into the Apologetic and Prohibitive Market only to find Tommy Welch was manager. (The name had intrigued me, causing my visit.) At the meat counter, I saw Aileen Dugan. She was frantically trying to get waited on. Her husband, Robert Graeter, was due home from the office at 5:30—and it was 5:15 then. Still up to her old tricks!

From the grocery, I went to the depot to entrain for Alamogardo, New Mexico. There I saw Eleanor Deubner buying a ticket to Reno—to get her fifth divorce.

A bow-legged cowboy in a rickety Ford met me at the station, a few hours later in Alamogardo, to take me to the Happy Richie Ranch. The first person I saw on arriving was Dick Stein breaking in a new colt. Around the corner of the house came James Wallace with a bale of hay on his shoulders; he was ranch foreman.

After spending a few days there I continued to Los Angeles. When I reached that city I went to the famous Cue Ball Night Club. The head waiter, George Lenning, showed me to a table. Lights were turned down and a spotlight gleamed on the band. The leader was Robert Cook; he was still playing his trumpet.

When the floor show began, Pat Brugler did a soft shoe dance. Waiters Kent Zopf and Eddie Benson sang their new song, "Meetcha Round the Corner." I glanced around and saw Jim Wahl, who was chief bouncer. He really had gained a set of muscles.

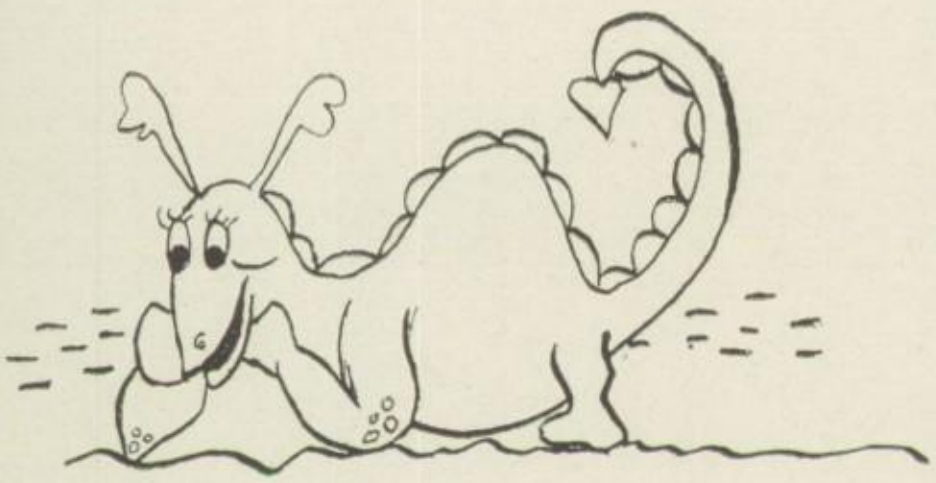
I took a bus to a small white house with green shutters where I knocked on the door; Mrs. McFall, nee Margaret Johnson, answered it. Paul was in the living room with the newspaper and a pipe. At the house next door, sitting on the porch, was Norma Howard Grugin waiting for Karl to come home.

Sunny California! The end of my journey. Now I was free to do as I had always wanted: Lie in the sun and sleep. Ah, blissful journey. What a change ten years may make!

—Ilah Jean Preston

CLASS WILL

We, the Senior class of '44, being of unsound mind and a little unbalanced in other parts of the head, do hereby will and bequeath some possessions to underclassmen. We, the undersigned, hereby declare this our last will and testament, cancelling all others made before this time.



Joanne Gummere and Don Placke will a few extra inches to Bruce McPeek and Evelyn Laub.

Betty Armstrong, Marjorie Getter, and Patricia Enscoe leave some underclass girls the privilege of taking gym during their senior year.

Mary Jane Abbott leaves her soft, sweet voice to Vera Appenzeller.

Ed Benson wills his beautiful bow ties to Max Orlow.

Patricia Brugler and James Stuart leave together in the "Crosley."

Chellis Carney bequeaths her English accent to anyone who can copy it.

Jacques Cook and Betty Meyers leave their brains to the Smithsonian Institute.

Robert Cook wills his trumpeting ability to Dale Placke.

June Conover and Ethel Cox leave their winning smiles to everyone next year. (You'll need them.)

The Sotherland twins leave the teachers still befuddled as ever as to who is who.

To Martha Kalter goes Genevieve Ead's position on the hockey team.

Dorothy Webster leaves her long string of dates with the Oakwood boys to the junior girls.

Valerie Kissinger leaves her bangs to Marcheta Christensen.

Eleanor Deubner bequeaths her first love, Charlie Barnett's recordings, to the "vic" in the cafeteria.

Margaret Ashworth and Jean Naftzger leave their memories of Brookville to anyone who can stand them.

Carson Fremont leaves Robert Hedges all his debate notes so Bob can beat Oakwood next year.

Marjorie Lesher wills her basketball playing to Miss Powell.

Jill Pummell leaves her shorthand style to Ruby Lancaster.

Edith Coppock leaves her last year's work to those who need it.

Karl Grugin wills his position as an all around athlete to Jim Irons.

Louise Crane leaves her melodious giggle to Lois Wise.

Paul McFall leaves his easy ways and reluctance to study to "Fritz" Kratzer.

Ned Rasor bequeaths his habit of talking to himself to Miss Kennedy, who is used to his habit.

Jackie Walkup wills her wardrobe to June Somers.

Margaret Johnson bequeaths her ability at horseback riding to Beth Hawker.

Betty Stoll leaves her B's in bookkeeping to Brother Dane.

Robert Graeter wills his good looks to Merrill Albrecht.

Dorothy Gould leaves her quiet and graceful ways to Dorothea Duncan.

Harold Demmer wills his scientific knowledge to the lab atmosphere.

Norma Cress bequeaths her high school career to next year's freshmen.

William Gerdes leaves his shortness in stature to Bill McKinnon.

Aileen Dugan wills her long, black hair to Nancy Routzahn.

Glee Rogers leaves her rain hat to "Moby Dick."

Winifred Denham bequeaths her curly locks to Dolores Mink.

Kent Zopf leaves his bashfulness to Richard Page, who could use it.

Harriet Frey wills her sparkling eyes to Suzanne Pohlmeyer.

Ted Linderman bequeaths his books to Herschel Jones.

Shirley Leinweber leaves the music department to Clark Haines.

Nancy Schiebrel wills her roastie-toastie sun burn to Barbara Beatty.

Dorothy Stansel leaves her "A's" in English to Don Pooler, (who needs them.)

William Pontis leaves his jalopy to posterity.

Charlotte Schroder bequeaths her cap and gown to next year's seniors.

"Jody" Mullens leaves Jean McLardie with great reluctance.

Thomas Welch leaves his snappy clothes to Victor Grabeman.

George Woodward wills his corny jokes to anyone who can stand them.

James Wahl leaves his love for younger women to Dave Schiebrel.

Ilah Jean Preston bequeaths her bushy eyebrows to Harpo Marx.

Christine Goffe wills her senior home room to Phyllis Leist.

Doris Gray leaves her thoughts to Miss Miriam Wilson.

Lois Hanback and Evelyn Yaus leave their friendship to Martha Prater and Martha Fox.

Louise Gross wills her meekness to Mary White.

Marilyn McKay leaves her art (?) ability to Miss Rachel Urick.

Doris Borton leaves her chewing gum to the teachers.

James Bowser bequeaths his checked pants to the scrap drive.

Robert Chlobek wills his quietness to Dick Forward.

Delores Dukes leaves her typewriter to next year's office practice class.

Howard Wilson leaves the pencil sharpener in Mr. Couser's room to posterity.

Mabel Harned wills her variety of service men to the army. (It will get them anyway!)

Betty McCray bequeaths her absenteeism to Mr. Homer Wagner.

Joanne Hoover and Zoa Hull leave their attendance at the USO dances to the hostesses.

Joan Ralston leaves her quietness to Roberta Worthington.

Lavone Mann leaves her biology book to Laura Hanger.

Betty Richards leaves her all-round sports ability to Vivian Eads.

Charles Heitzman wills his marching ability to Joseph Wright.

Patricia Holtvogt leaves her hockey stick to Mamie Kindy.

Norma Howard wills her ability to wrap pretty Christmas packages to Santa Claus.

Elaine Huber leaves her beautiful hair to Marjorie Pummell.

Nelson Hurst wills his soft brown eyes to Patsy Cress.

Louise Jones bequeaths her poetic ability to the English department.

Carl Hamm leaves the underclass girls to next year's senior boys.

Ruth King wills her deep voice to Benny Weaver.

Franklin Roudebush leaves his initials "F. D. R." to the President.

Adeline Lucas wills her red hair to Vivian Moon.

Dorothy Martin leaves her angelic disposition to Jane Conover.

Betty McClurg bequeaths her dimples to Patsy Carter.

Jack Thomas leaves his playful ways to Ted Blum.

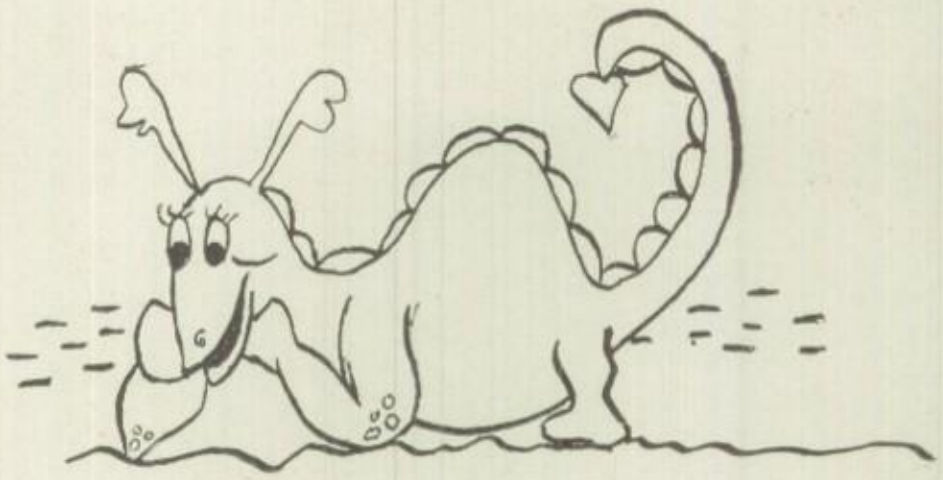
Harry McGrew bequeaths his curly locks to envying girls.

Doris O'Neal leaves her flightiness to Mary Stadlmayr.

Marjorie Marcum wills her southern accent to "Noath" Carolina.

Freda Mae Mason wills her helpful ways to Roberta Rohr.

Richard Trainor leaves his nearly perfect attendance to absentees.



Helen Underwood wills her dark tresses to her sister, Ann.

Barbara Wilson bequeaths her bottle of peroxide to Marilyn Thomas.

Dwight Manker wills his placid movements to Paul Young.

Janet Naas leaves her seat in physics class to next year's lost souls.

Curt Wilson and Louise Noble leave together for Niagara Falls.

Betty Osborn leaves her gym shorts to Esther Ann Bower.

Betty Parks wills her oboe to the incoming freshmen.

Delores Patton leaves her memories of "green tomato worms" to Miss Christine Wahl.

James Wallace wills his jitterbugging to next year's P. D. classes.

Shirley Pierson leaves her "pepsodent" smile to Helen Sites.

Jean Shively bequeaths her seat in study hall to anyone who wishes to talk.

Louise Shade wills her quiet manner to Patsy Salyer.

Joan Speelman leaves her high heels to Joyce Kelley.

Richard Stein wills his love for romantic moonlight nights to John Morgan.

Jeanne Thygerson bequeaths her popularity to Peggy Altenberg.

Mary Ann Whitelow leaves her heartfelt sympathies to those who have read this, our last will and testament.

(Signed) The Class of Fairmont's Frivolous, Fighting-Four
as told to Suzie Sotherland

Witnesses: The Cannibals in the Jungle Stew.

ONE MORE YEAR TO GO!

The old dragon was certainly amazed when the fall of 1941 rolled around, bringing with it the youthful Class of '45. As he viewed the precocious youngsters, it seemed evident that in time they would adjust themselves to Fairmont and its surroundings.

Then the upper classmen proceeded to give the freshmen a hearty welcome in the form of the traditional initiation. The smallest frosh boy, Robert Warner, bore the brunt of the attack by being set on the water fountain and smeared with lipstick. The only social event sponsored by the class was a skating party.

Much new talent was discovered by the old dragon in the freshman assembly and for the first time in Fairmont history, the freshman boys took up cooking when the girls exchanged places with them in the shop for six weeks. A picnic at Bryan State Park closed the year.

As the sophomore year progressed, the old dragon was no longer skeptical as he viewed the aggressive Class of '45. One of the outstanding achievements of this year

was the undefeated sophomore football team. James Irons represented the class on the varsity squad. During this year, the dragon was bewildered to see girls wearing pigtails and their fathers' shirts through the halls of Fairmont. This class, also, put on a very entertaining assembly under the direction of Charles Gastineau, the "Korn King." The social events given by the class were two skating parties and a successful dance. Everyone enjoyed dancing to the music of Michael Hauer's orchestra at the dance climaxing the sophomore year.

In the month of September, 1943, the old dragon fully realized that this junior class would be capable of assuming the responsibilities of upper classmen. This decision was based on the splendid work of the last two years. The dragon was greatly pleased to find that this class tackled both curricular and extra-curricular activities with vengeance. The social season found the juniors sponsoring a skating party and a dance, which helped to raise funds for the big prom. The initiations of the Hi-Y boys and the Girl Reserves, mostly juniors, provided much amusement for the student body, as did the fine assembly by the class.

Miss Leah Funck directed an outstanding cast in "Best Foot Forward," which was a magnificent production enjoyed by hundreds of people. The old dragon was fascinated by the great number of athletes the junior class possessed, for outstanding among these were James Irons, Robert Warner, Richard Forward, William Liebetrau, Frank Dodd, Raymond Harding, and Jerry Bowser. The climax of the year was the prom, which paid tribute to the seniors and was thoroughly enjoyed by both classes.

The class officers, whom the old dragon considered to be very capable and efficient, were James Irons, president; Richard Forward, vice president; William Leibetrau, treasurer; Anna Mae Foster, secretary; Raymond Harding, social chairman.

—Junior Home Room 206

'TWAS EASIER THIS YEAR!

When their footsteps were first heard in the bewildering corridors of Fairmont High, the Class of '46, began an entirely new experience. First, they gave a talent assembly and found that they were not only a class of confused juveniles: but also athletes, actors, musicians and even bright scholars.

As they entered their second year at Fairmont they were more confident. From down Centerville way came Margaret "Red" Williamson, who stormed the chorus, band, scholarship rolls, and became a cheerleader. Peggy Altenburg, Joan Dill, Rosemary Schneck and others joined the ranks, and became up-and-coming sophomores.

Now, the athletes found places on the varsity squads. Paul Wagner and Ray Munger were on the varsity football team; Donald McPeek and Ralph Gueltig, on the second; and then there was Jack Bunger, star shot of the basketball team. Dick Cook, Paul Wagner, John Morgan and Lawrence Moyer played on the reserve team.

Sophomores, musically inclined, again made valuable additions to the chorus and band. Those who participated in music contests brought their school honor: Helen (Susie the Bassoonist) Wappler; fiddlers Max Orlow and Marilyn Whisler; warblers Ted Blum, Joanne Ferris, Peggy Altenburg and Dane Stoll; organist Wilma Andrew, and many others.

Perhaps most important are their scholastic achievements. Consistently on the scholarship rolls were William Horton, Wilma Andrew, Paul Wagner, Helen Wappler, Max Orlow, Janice Thorpe, Margaret Williamson, Laura Hänger and Evelyn Stansel.

Led by President Paul Wagner and his assistants: Janice Thorpe, vice president; Helen Wappler, secretary; Rolland Fischer, treasurer; and Patty Mack, social chairman, the sophomores have won a high place among Fairmont's students in sportsmanship and scholarship.

—Janice Thorpe

HOW THEY LOOKED WHEN THEY CAME!

September 7, 1943, a date no freshman will ever forget, saw 164 frosh arrive at Fairmont by bus, car, bicycle, or on foot, coming from Southern Hills, Dorothy Lane, Pasadena, Dayton, and other schools.

Many freshmen girls went out for hockey. Marilyn Finley actually got to play goal keeper on the first team! Oneita Elkins, Jean Utz, Jeannine Tullis substituted for the first team. Others on the frosh team were Dorothy Lenning, Margaret Henderson, Jenny Bowser, Shirley Jarvis, Sarah Wallace, and Dorothy Dodd, Martha Kemper, Gwen Wardwell, and Barbara Parks. For the first time in history, Fairmont scored against, and defeated Oakwood in hockey.

The freshmen boys played two games against Oakwood, dividing the games. The boys who loyally came out for practice were Richard "Hoppy" Romburger, John Perkins, Walter Schutz, Junior Norris, Dick Walther, Paul Kolbe, George Jenkins, Ralph Young, Pete Michael, Fred Brooks, Bob Riffle, Curt Davis, and Donald Crawmer. Ralph Young played a total of one-half in a varsity game!

Ralph Young, Dick Walther, Junior Norris, Bob Riffle, George Jenkins, and Murl Miller were on the first team in basketball. Jim Widman, Walter Schutz, Paul Kolbe, Pete Michael, Harry Fleming, and Jack England substituted. The team played Roosevelt, Belmont, Stivers, Oakwood, Chaminade, and Miamisburg, defeating all but Miamisburg.

The freshmen chose as class officers Walter Schutz, president; Donald Crawmer, vice president; Gwen Wardwell, secretary; Bob Riffle, treasurer; Sarah Wallace, social chairman. Members elected to the student council were Jenny Bowser, Joan Stout and Jim Gochoel.

Very few freshmen work after school at downtown stores, but there's hardly a freshman that doesn't either do dishes, or take care of "kids," or help around home in other ways. The home front is really very important.

As they look back on the last year it seems that their main accomplishment is that they passed the first year of high school. They have made new friends and have learned much that will carry them through three more years of school.

—Eunice Blanchard

'TWAS A FULL CALENDAR

September 8—First day of school, and suntanned students trekked back to school. **24**—First dance of the season was sponsored by the seniors after the Monroe game. **26**—The faculty entertained the new teachers at a picnic at Old River. **27**—Labor shortage began to be noticed in school as students were drafted for cafeteria work. **30**—Chellis, Suzie, and Betty interviewed Si Burick and got his ideas about the MVL and football.

October 5—Parent-Teachers' Association held Open House. The first DRAGON appeared. **12**—Fairview girls invaded Fairmont and walloped the hockey team. **15**—G. W. Zopf returned: a wolf in ship's clothing. **20**—Report cards appeared as Halloween approached. **30**—Miss Laura Marshall and her office practice group began selling war stamps and bonds.

November 4—Mr. Clark Haines directed the band in the first of its concert series. **5**—James Wahl was elected president of Student Council. **7**—Senior play cast was chosen by Miss Leah Funck. **13**—Hi-Y named eighteen

new pledges. **20**—Dragons lost to Troy as basketball season loomed in the not-too-distant future. **26**—Fairmontonians helped observe the opening of Club Co-ed. **30**—Betty and Suzie Sotherland became editors of the yearbook.

December 1—Letter from "Foxie" Tharr indicated that he actually misses Fairmont. **3**—Freshmen ranked high on the honor roll as report cards were issued again. **7**—Eddie Benson had a three-week vacation while his brother had scarlet fever. **9**—Elder's looked like Fairmont after 3:10 as nine of the teachers, as well as half of the student body, started helping during the Christmas rush. **11**—Music was played during lunch periods as suggested by the Student Council. **13**—Dragon basketeers defeated Kiser as they got off to a grand start. **13**—Bond and stamp sales totaled $7,000 as the third flying jeep was purchased. **15**—National Honor Society named five new pledges. **18**—Debate and speech groups won honors at Hamilton. **22**—The annual Christmas pageant was given. **23**—Vacation, at last!

January 2—Back from vacation, students began winding up their first semester's work. **4**—Manpower shortage became acute: senior girls began casting envious glances toward underclassmen. **10**—Plans were made for an intensive Fourth War Loan drive at Fairmont. **21**—Five seniors completed their requirements for graduation. **24**—Seniors started slaving away preparing for the senior scholarship test.

February 3—"Freckles," Mr. Clark Haines' pooch, invaded the office and chewed up the absentee list. **5**—Junior play cast is selected for "Best Foot Forward." **10**—Tommy Koors and Fritz Klemm discover they know nothing about the finer arts of hitch-hiking. **11**—Walt Disney artists visited school and showed pupils what makes Donald Duck tick. **14**—Fourth War Loan drive ended with Fairmont students and faculty turning in $15,700. **17**—Band played its second concert with Eugene Weigel directing. **29**—Leap Year Day! Girls got their men.

March 8—The Dragons were defeated by Greenville at the annual basketball tournament in an overtime game with the score of 32 to 31. **10**—A big moment for the seniors came when they traveled to Roosevelt High School to take the senior scholarship test. **17**—Shur and it was a grand St. Patrick's Day when the up-and-coming freshman class held their big dance in the music room. **30**—Groans resounded throughout the halls as Every Pupil Tests were given.

April 4—The "Ball-Bearing Bounce," skating party sponsored by the sophomore class, was a great success! Everyone was there. Commencement speakers were chosen too. They are Eugene Jones and Jean Naftzger. **5**—Representatives from the music department met at Westminster Presbyterian Church for the annual music contest. **7-10**—Easter vacation for all the weary souls! **14**—It was the biggest event of the year for the juniors when they presented "Best Foot Forward," one of the best class plays produced in recent years. **19**—Report cards were ceremoniously handed out and the last six weeks of school started. **21**—The band brought its busiest season to a close with its last concert. Sergeant Joseph Raeiff was guest pianist. **27**—Suspense and mystery invaded Fairmont as "Nine Girls" was presented by the dramatics class.

May 5—"H. M. S. Pinafore," a universal favorite, came to Fairmont with Mr. Clark Haines directing the mixed chorus. **12**—Yas, suh! the combines grade and high schools presented their annual musical in the form of an old fashioned Minstrel show. **26**—The juniors' farewell to the senior class was a gay prom. **28**—Baccalaureate services were held in the Fairmont auditorium. Reverend R. K. Riebs spoke. **31**—The last day of school! The seniors marched down the aisle at the N. C. R. auditorium to receive their much coveted diplomas. Dr. Kenneth Brown spoke.

So ended a busy year.

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